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1981 Andover High graduate Michael Chiklis celebrates his Emmy Award for best actor. "What made me emotional was that everyone was really shocked, but when I looked at them, they were delighted, too," he said.

Michael Chiklis grabs Emmy

AHS graduate, now TV cop, gets his woman

By Rebecca Piro

Former Andover High drama coach Bob King isn't sure what went wrong with his former student Michael Chiklis.

That's right — he's talking about the same Chiklis who won an Emmy Sunday night for his lean, mean cop persona on FX's rough-and-tumble show *The Shield*.

"I've never approved of that," says King. "Mike can tell you, when we did shows I tried desperately to make sure nothing smutty got in, or too violent or

degrading. We always tried to make it high class."

But if Chiklis has branched out on his own since high school, things certainly have worked out for the best. Chiklis' win made him the first man to win the best actor award from a basic cable network.

Andover's own Chiklis took home the Emmy for outstanding lead actor in a drama, beating out big names including Martin Sheen and Kiefer Sutherland.

A still-dazed Chiklis

says both actors congratulated him after his — uh — speech.

"I don't even really remember what I said," he says. Regardless, he seems to have made a good impression on his competition. "Kiefer gave me a big hug. He's such a sweet guy. And Sheen practically shook my arm off. He was truly psyched out of his mind."

(For the record, an emotional Chiklis talked about reaching for the brass ring. "I'm a dreamer, like every-

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Michael Chiklis and his most important woman, wife Michelle, on the red carpet.

For town manager:

First praise, next raise?

By Rebecca Piro

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski's image is pretty near squeaky clean, after emerging from an annual evaluation that selectmen said was not "whitewashed."

"The selectmen agree that the town manager met or exceeded expectations in all areas reviewed except for negotiations," said Selectmen Chairman Ray Hender, who read from the board's public statement Monday night.

The entire review process, which started early this summer, was done behind closed doors, as selectmen say the evaluation is a personnel issue. Some former selectmen and residents have criticized selectmen for this, as well as suggesting that the board does not judge Stapczynski harshly enough. The selectmen and Stapczynski have maintained that the process is fair and honest.

"It was suggested to me that this was going to be a whitewash," said Hender. "Believe me, that was not the case. I spent hours on this."

The only negative comment that resulted from those hours, however, was a seemingly unanimous call for Stapczynski to improve his negotiation skills.

Three town bargaining units are currently without new contracts. Most notable of those is Andover's firefighters union, which claims that Stapczynski reneged on a tentative

agreement to a new contract back in April. That contract is currently under the advisement of a third-party mediator.

Despite the selectmen's criticism of Stapczynski in this area, it was anything but a harsh blow to the town manager.

"We understand there are circumstances beyond his control," added Ray Hender.

Besides negotiations, selectmen judged Stapczynski in several other areas, including his work on construction projects, budgeting and leadership skills. The statement lauded Stapczynski for handling "difficult situations" well, and used his

handling of the public-safety center construction project — a project that is more than one year behind schedule — as an example. It praised his budgeting skills and noted that he is responsible for Andover's Aaa bond rating, the highest possible rating a community can earn.

"One area he's been very strong in is the budget," said Selectman John Hess. "People don't always realize that Andover is living within its means, and I think that's because of the town manager and the staff he has put together."

Hess suggested that Stapczynski spend more time on issues such as affordable housing and customer service. He praised the town manager for his work regarding open-space needs and the town's Vision 21 task

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Buzz Stapczynski

Principal: AHS would award diploma to kids failing MCAS

By Rebecca Piro

Five Andover High School seniors who failed the MCAS exam might not graduate in May — that is, unless their principal, Peter Anderson, has a say.

"I feel that it is morally wrong to deny some of these kids a diploma," says Anderson.

This year's seniors are the first required by the state to pass the math and English portions of the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System, a standardized test. On the whole, Andover High School performed better than last year, rising from 49th to 17th statewide. Five out of about 400 Andover High students did not pass the test.

Those five students will have the chance to retake the test a final time in December, but if they still don't pass, Anderson has no intention of withhold-

ing their diplomas.

"The Andover kids who are at risk right now have taken this test multiple times and are just below the passing range," says Anderson, who declined to identify those students. "I don't believe there's any body of research out there that says it's valid to determine a child's future, based on a one-time incident."

The Department of Education has created an appeals process for principals like Anderson to vie for a student's right to graduate, despite failing test scores. He says that appeals process weighs the student's performance and attendance in class, among other things.

"I think that's how it should be," says AHS junior John Forlizzi. "One test, I don't think, can say (anything) about your academic skills."

That's just one of the shortcomings of

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Town making MCAS grade

By Rebecca Piro

Andover MCAS scores, already near the top of the state, are on the rise.

Teachers, students and administrators are smiling, having received scores that place Andover at the top of Massachusetts communities. Sophomores — this year's juniors — were tested last spring. Their scores put Andover High School at 17th in the state out of 208 districts. The previous spring's scores put Andover High School at 49th in the state.

A larger pool of Andover students, tested from the fourth grade and up, showed improvement as well, soaring from 20th in the state to 9th.

"We have a nice spike upwards," says Claudia Bach, schools superintendent.

But she adds that some of Andover's success is due to normal ups and downs that come with testing different classes of students every year. "I think there's going to be fluctuation every year," Bach says.

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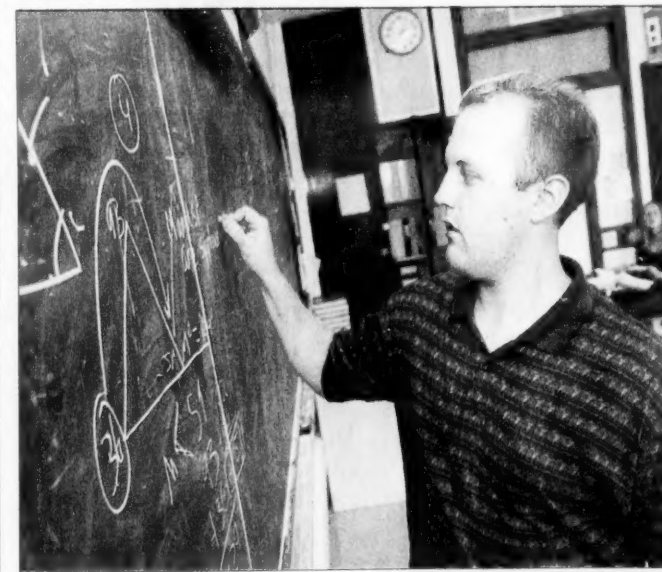


PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Math teacher Brian Stack teaches a geometry class at Andover High School on Monday. Andover students' MCAS scores, including math scores, have improved this year.

Peter Jennings: Modern US reflects founders' ideals

By Ethan Forman

As ABC News anchor Peter Jennings and producer Todd Brewster traveled across the country in Jennings' Ford Explorer last year, they learned something unexpected.

The themes of faith, religion and morality that the country's founders found so worthy of attention still run through much of America today, says Brewster.

"It surprised us just how much modern day America reflects the founders' ideals," Brewster said.

Jennings and Brewster, coauthors of the book *In Search of America*, shared

"There is a great shadow nation in America out there."

PETER JENNINGS, AT PHILLIPS ACADEMY ON SUNDAY

their thoughts at Phillips Academy's Cochran Chapel on Sunday, during an interfaith service sponsored by the Phillips Academy Interfaith Council.

According to Jennings, he has seen the power of faith repeatedly as he has reported from locations around the world. Whether he was covering the Civil Rights Movement, apartheid or the fall of communism in Eastern Europe, people of religious faith always played a key role in bringing about change, he said. "Ronald Reagan gets a lot of the

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Coming this week in the Sunday Eagle-Tribune

■ **In Sports.** On the Ball: Londonderry's Jason Ball charges ahead in his NFL career as San Diego's starting center this Sunday against the Patriots.

■ **In News.** The sin tax: How Massachusetts is gleaming an unexpected profit surplus from smokers.

■ **In Lifestyles.** Home of the Future: The automated home is closer than you think.

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DOOR OPENS AT CHRIST CHURCH



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

The clergy at Christ Church in Andover are planning a joint service with other area congregations this Sunday, Sept. 29 at 4 p.m. to welcome the church's new priest-in-charge, the Rev. Jeffrey Shilling Gill. Gill began his ministry at Christ Church on Central Street this month. Participants from St. Paul's in North Andover, Grace Church in Lawrence and St. Andrew's in Methuen will take part in the service.

New Challenge is paying mortgage

By Ben Hellman

Every Tuesday, Sarah, a 3-year-old suffering from cerebral palsy, gets lifted onto a horse and, with the help of a therapist, rides for 30 minutes. "She's not only getting stronger, it's a social outlet," said her mother Amy, who asked that their last names not be used.

Sarah develops head and torso support by sitting up and trying to hold steady on the walking horse. The movement of the horse mirrors human walking motion, says Dee Dee O'Brien, director of Challenge Unlimited.

Challenge Unlimited is used to facing challenges with kids like Sarah. But, with its purchase last December of 14-acre Ironstone Farm, it's time for the organization to tame a whole new challenge. The horse-riding farm and its program for people with mental and physical disabilities must mount a serious fundraising drive to cover its new mortgage payments and the daily cost of operation.

Such work is new territory to the program, which did raise the money to buy the farm last year. "We never did any serious fundraising," said O'Brien. "Now we're in the fundraising business."

With the purchase of the property, the program must raise \$130,000 a year. O'Brien says that Challenge Unlimited had only raised about \$30,000 in the past. Andover resident Vicky Bernard, one of the farm's 150 volunteers, stuffed envelopes this week for a fall mailing describing upcoming events and on-



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

David Feehan reaches out to Andover High School volunteer Rachel McGregor during his therapy at Ironstone Farm. While workers at Ironstone such as are used to working with horses, they now have new work: fundraising to pay the new mortgage.

going fundraising efforts.

The program has two specific events this fall. The first is a concert by Keith Lockhart and the Beacon Brass Quintet. On Monday, Nov. 4 at 8 p.m., Lockhart and players from the Boston Pops will play their history of American music. The event will be at Governor Drummer Academy. Those who buy circle seats will be invited to a champagne reception with Lockhart. Treble Chorus of New England will join the quintet for two pieces.

The farm has purchased 300 floor seats to The Irish Tenors Christmas Spectacular on Friday, Dec. 6 at 8 p.m. at Lowell

Memorial Auditorium.

Ronan Tynan, one of the three tenors, has a special connection to Challenge Unlimited. Tynan is a double amputee and an orthopedic surgeon as well as being an avid horse rider. "He epitomizes what we do here," said O'Brien.

When Tynan's American fan club raised money for a donation to be made in his name, Tynan chose Challenge Unlimited. The group donated \$12,050. "We were thrilled," said O'Brien. She hopes Tynan will be able to visit the farm in December.

An on-going program is the horse-sponsorship program.

"Horses are very expensive to maintain," said O'Brien. Sponsors can choose a one-, three- or six-month sponsorship, or a one-year sponsorship. The one-year sponsor will receive a handmade Amish rocking horse, made by the community that supplies the farm with its halfling horses.

Challenge Unlimited also has an on-line shopping program that benefits its programs without any cost to the shopper. Businesses like Amazon.com and Barnes and Noble on-line are featured and make a donation for every purchase when shoppers link through <www.challenge-unlimited.org>.



Local Democrats enjoyed the evening at the 38th Annual Dahlia Ball earlier this month.

Honoring Andover Dems of the Year

The 38th Annual Dahlia Ball was held at the Andover Wyndham on Sept. 13. The event was hosted by the Andover Democratic Town Committee.

The highlight of the evening, according to the group, was honoring Democrats of the Year — Peter McCarthy, Karen Grasso Courtney and Mark Courtney.

Peter McCarthy is a middle school teacher in Billerica and he has participated in

numerous campaigns for the past 12 years. Karen Grasso Courtney is the president of K Courtney Associates, a first of its kind consultant to labor and labor management groups only. She served as chair and vice chair of the Andover Democratic Town Committee and has worked on many political campaigns. Mark Courtney is a nurse practitioner at Beth Israel Deaconess and has been a dedicated democratic political activist since the 1960s.

Dispute near road less traveled

By Ben Hellman

John Thompson and Daryl Afshin of Lowell Junction Road and Lowell Junction Road Rear say that developer Todd Wacome is over-stepping his bounds in Ballardvale. Wacome says he's within his rights.

Afshin and his wife Brenda called the Planning Board last week when Wacome started transplanting trees on the far side of the undeveloped roadway to their home. The road is the only access point to their house, and



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Daryl Afshin near his home, where trees are being planted by Wynwood Associates.

could be expanded some day.

"They're planting trees in our right of way," said Afshin as Wacome's workers gouged conical holes into the ground with a giant machine and plopped down pines.

Wacome is making way for his proposed Gregory Circle development, which was disapproved by the Andover Planning Board in October 2000. Wacome has appealed the decision.

According to planner Paul Materazzo, the development was disapproved because of the road, which exists on a 40-foot right-of-way, according to a town plan and a earlier plan submitted by Wacome's company. If the planned houses were built and the current road was improved — Afshin and Thompson's right according to the town plan — it could put a road directly behind several of the houses. "We're

talking two feet off a proposed dwelling," said Materazzo. Wacome says the earlier plan was incorrect and the board has not accepted new materials supporting his contention. Wacome expects to overturn the board's decision and is moving ahead. The trees are part of his plan. "There's no question what the outcome will be," said Wacome. "We will be building there. It's customary for us to put down trees on the boundary."

The road passes through Thompson's property, according to town plans and an earlier plan submitted by Wacome's company, Fieldstone Meadows Development Corp., says Materazzo. Thompson has owned the property for 28 years. "It's my driveway," said Thompson. But he went out to find granite markers banged into the ground on the side of the road closest to his house. "I don't understand what's going on. You have to cross my property to get to the dirt road," claims Thompson.

Afshin and the residents living next door had always used the road to get to their homes with the understanding of Thompson. When the road was laid it was incorrectly set outside of the right of way, a mistake Afshin and Thompson say they planned to correct, but never did.

Materazzo considers this to be a private land dispute. "These sorts of land disputes are common throughout Andover," he said. He wouldn't be paying attention if the matter didn't involve a disapproved development. Wacome has moved trees from one end of his property to another, which is not something the town wants to govern.

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The above photos were both taken of the area where Olde Andover Village shopping mall now stands. The top photo, taken in 1920, shows homes on Main Street, with South Church on Central Street rising behind them. The bottom photo, taken this week, shows the area today, where some of the same roof lines can be seen. Olde Andover Village is home to a number of businesses, including the Andover Book Store and Lantern Brunch.

Delay on school work

Superintendent Claudia Bach said that sound-proofing panels that overhang the High Plain Elementary and Wood Hill Middle Schools' auditorium need to be reinforced. It was discovered that the panels, called clouds, were not secure enough.

Bach estimated that the delay would push back the opening of the auditorium until November.

Building inspector Kaija Gilmore has also disapproved of the outdoor lights, which Bach said were the same as at Gillette Stadium. The lights can take 10 minutes to turn back on if power is knocked out. New lights will include a battery backup.

RMV charging more

Fees to renew one's driver's license and registration will soon rise, with state officials saying the increased costs will prevent branch closings.

As part of the 2003 budget passed by the state legislature, the Registry of Motor Vehicles is raising fees for customers whose Class D driver's licenses and vehicle registrations expire after Oct. 1. Registration fees for passenger vehicles will go from \$30 to \$36 every two years, while the license renewal fee will go from \$33.75 to \$40 every five years.

Town Dems to meet

The next meeting of the Andover Democratic Town Committee will be Tuesday, Oct. 1 at Marland Place, Stevens Street. The business meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. and the pizza social starts at 6:45. Those who plan to attend the pizza social should call Nancy O'Connor Stolberg at 978-470-2784.

Correction

Due to a reporter's error, the vote totals in the 18th Essex Democratic primary race, won by Andover resident Barbara L'Italien, were incorrectly reported in last week's *Townsmen*. L'Italien beat fellow Democrat Kevin Shea 2,522 to 1,269.

Quote, unquote . . .

TELL THEM 'I WAS A POTATO KID.' I am now a potato grandpa. Everybody calls me potato grandpa.

— Norman Yu, son and grandson of potato farmers and survivor of the Japanese invasion of China, speaks of students at Doherty Middle School, where he now volunteers. (Story, page 9)

IF YOU DO A LOT OF READING, you learn about the benefits of taking vitamins. And you really need to have a disposable income. If you can't make the rent every month, you're not going to say, 'I'm going to go buy some glucosamine sulfate.'

— Cathy Scott, GNC franchise owner at the Park Street Village, explaining why she thinks Andover has a strong customer base for health stores. (Story, page 24)

News Calendar

Thursday, Sept. 26

Disabilities Commission, Memorial Hall Library, activity room, 7 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 30

Main Street Committee's Streetscape sub-committee, Town Offices, first floor, 8 a.m.

Andover Retirement Board, Town Offices, third floor, 9 a.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 1

School Building Committee, High Plain Elementary School library, 6 p.m.

Vision 21 Committee, Town Offices, second floor, 7:30 p.m.

Conservation Commission, Town Offices, third floor, 7:45 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 2

Andover Historic Commission, Town Offices, second floor, 7 p.m.

Main Street Committee, Town Offices, third floor, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 3

Strategic Planning Task Force, Town Offices, third floor, 7:30 a.m.

Lines on the highway (28)

State highway officials call them "skip lines" and they are on their way to busy North Main Street near the Shawsheen Shopping Plaza.

State highway spokesman Doug Cope checked in this week to say a section of North Main Street — between the Shawsheen Shopping Plaza and Shawsheen Square — will have the broken white lines, called skip lines, painted within a week.

These lines will clearly designate that the stretch of road, which is a state highway, has four lanes of traffic — two northbound and two southbound. Currently, drivers help themselves and use the four lanes,

but there are no skip lines.

Cope said the shoulder lines on this stretch of North Main Street have already been painted and the width of the road meets the requirement for skip lines. The stretch of road was repaved last month. Now, it's all systems go for the skip lines.

It's welcome news for Andover drivers as the section of North Main Street (also Route 28) from Shawsheen Shopping Plaza to the Interstate-495 ramps will have skip lines, clearly designating four lanes of traffic. It is certain to diminish the feeling that Andover has its own drag strip on North Main Street.

— Judy Wakefield

Walk: Doing it for Jimmy

At least 22 Andover residents are registered to participate in the Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk this Sunday, Sept. 29, helping to collect an anticipated total of \$4.5 million to go to the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. Each of them has a story.

"I do it because I have a very good friend who has a daughter the same age as mine, who was diagnosed with neuroblastoma. She was given a 10-percent chance of survival, and she made it — I believe she's one of the first to make it. She's doing quite well now, it's in remission and she's in second grade," says Moira Ragonese, who has been walking as part of Team Jacqueline for the last five years.

Ragonese is one of an estimated 8,500 who will participate in the walk.

"Every person is touched by cancer in some way, whether it be through a friend, family member or co-worker," said Emily Quinn, director of the Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk, in a recent press release.

To register or make a donation, go to <www.jimmyfund.org>.

Residents can also send financial contributions directly to Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk, 10 Brookline Place West, 6th Floor, Brookline, MA 02467; or call 800-632-3562.

— Kyra Auffermann
Townsmen intern

Overseas peddlers: Group looks to ship old bikes

Andover residents can pedal down to the West Middle School parking lot on Saturday, Sept. 28, but they may find themselves walking home.

Andover's returned Peace Corps volunteers, led by Diane and Bob Riemer, will be holding a bicycle collection day from noon to 3 p.m. to benefit the organization Pedals for Progress, which donates used bicycles to developing countries around the world where transportation is a serious problem. Bob Riemer, who was stationed teaching math and science in Liberia during the 1970s, has seen the problem first-hand.

"Little kids, 6 or 7 years old, would have to walk a mile or more every day to get water," says Riemer. He says the lack of transportation leads to severely decreased productivity, which keeps these developing nations from rising above poverty. "If you had a bike, you could get there in a quarter of the time



From left: Bob and Diane Riemer, Joanie and Ed Warnshuiz and Breck Arnzen want to send old bikes to needy countries.

(that it takes to walk)," he says.

Returned Peace Corps volunteer Breck Arnzen agrees. "A program like this (Pedals for

Progress) can have a tremendous impact on productivity," he says.

The two men encourage residents to donate bicycles that are

no longer in use and are in "repairable condition." A donation of \$10 or more is also suggested to help defray the cost of shipping. All donations are tax-deductible and receipts are available.

Pedals for Progress is a nationwide organization dedicated to keeping used bikes out of landfills and sending them to the most needy countries. It has collected more than 56,000 bicycles and distributed them to poor, working adults in developing countries, says a press release. Lack of affordable transportation in such countries prevents people from accessing jobs, education and adequate health care, says the organization.

For more information about the Sept. 28 collection day, call the Riemers at 978-470-2042. To find out more about Pedals for Progress log on to <www.pfp.org>.

— Evan Greer
Townsmen intern

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ARRESTS

Wednesday, Sept. 18 - At 9:18 p.m., police took a 27-year-old Londonderry, N.H., male into protective custody for intoxication.

Thursday, Sept. 19 - At 1:27 p.m., Frederick Szalkowski, 58, of 2603 Postgate Lane, Peabody, was arrested and charged with lewd, wanton and lascivious conduct.

At 1:53 p.m., John Loveridge, 37, of 544 Howard St., Lawrence, was arrested and charged with lewd, wanton and lascivious conduct.

At 2:23 p.m., James Acton, 56, of 6232 Avalon Drive, Wilmington, was arrested and charged with possessing a Class D substance.

At 2:47 p.m., Scott Maciel, 26, of 35 Lee St., Wilmington, was arrested and charged with possessing a Class D substance.

Friday, Sept. 20 - At 6:57 p.m., Naomi Everett, 28, of 20 Uppham St., Malden, was arrested and charged on a warrant for disturbing the peace.

At 7:07 p.m., Tony Petruzzelli, 28, of 115D Pleasant St., Melrose, was arrested and charged with possessing a Class A substance with the intent to distribute it, and with possessing a Class A substance.

Saturday, Sept. 21 - At 7:54 a.m., Brian Irizarry, 19, of 258 Dubuque St., Apt. 3, Manchester, N.H., was arrested and charged on a warrant for breaking and entering during the day.

At 4:08 p.m., Ricardo Linarez, 30, of 71 Crescent St., Apt. 3, Lawrence, was arrested and charged on a warrant for driving with a suspended license.

At 6:30 p.m., David Demarco, 41, of 118 School St., Salem, N.H., was arrested and charged on a warrant for driving an unregistered and uninsured vehicle.

At 9:50 p.m., Robert Nichols, 17, of 72 Charles St., Reading, was arrested and charged as a minor in possession of alcohol.

At 10:13 p.m., Matthew Dipietro, 17, of 140 Forest St., Reading, was arrested and charged as a minor in possession of alcohol and possessing a Class D substance.

At 11:30 p.m., John Linne-mann, 17, of 41 School St., was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and driving while impeded.

Sunday, Sept. 22 - At 11:33 a.m., Adalberto Rivas, 22, of 39 Warren St., Lawrence, was arrested and charged with driving a revoked license.

At 11:10 p.m., Charles McCarthy, 37, of 60 Main St., was arrested and charged with uttering a false prescription. He was also charged on a warrant for driving while under the influence of drugs and being in possession of a hypodermic needle.

Monday, Sept. 23 - At 12:20 a.m., Michael Gaffney, 37, of 4 Colonial Drive, Apt. 2, was arrested and charged with violating an abuse prevention order.

At 8:25 a.m., Carmine Licata Jr., 31, of 112 Oakland Ave., Methuen, was arrested and charged with driving with a license that had been revoked following a drunk-driving conviction, and with driving an unregistered vehicle.

At 2:58 p.m., Paul McCarthy, 30, of 52 Brown St., Tewksbury, was arrested and charged with receiving a stolen vehicle, larceny

of a vehicle, a subsequent offense of driving with a suspended license, operating to endanger and failing to stop for police.

At 10:15 p.m., Thomas Eads, 40, of 107 Elm St., North Reading, was arrested and charged with two counts of larceny of goods worth more than \$250.

Tuesday, Sept. 24 - At 4:01 a.m., Shariff Johnson, 23, of 37 Mountain Ave., Dorchester, was arrested and charged with breaking and entering for a misdemeanor.

At 12:42 p.m., Richard Madison Jr., of 123 South Elm St., Haverhill, was arrested and charged on a warrant for forging a Registry of Motor Vehicles document.

At 1:05 p.m., Jose Pacheco, 17, of 80 Memorial Circle, was arrested and charged with assault and battery on a police officer, breaking and entering during the daytime for a felony, possessing a burglarious instrument, resisting arrest and possessing a Class D substance.

INCIDENTS

Wednesday, Sept. 18 - At 11:08 a.m., a Rachel Road resident reported that she was concerned about a small turtle being in the same yard where her kids were playing. The animal-control officer advised the person to move the turtle.

At 9:23 p.m., a female reported losing her pocketbook on Main Street.

Thursday, Sept. 19 - At 5:54 p.m., a Washington Park Drive female reported that someone had tried to steal her vehicle one night last week.

At 9:47 p.m., a female told police over the phone that a male

who was with her was going to hit her. The phone was disconnected and then the female called back, and told police that she was leaving the house for the night and didn't want a report taken. A police officer spoke to the male and filed a report anyway.

Friday, Sept. 20 - At 9:48 a.m., a Woodland Road resident reported the smell of gas. Police notified the gas company.

At 9:56 a.m., the animal-control officer gave a verbal warning to a Beacon Street resident for violating the leash law.

At 10:18 a.m., an ambulance

responded to a Railroad Street address where an aide, who was trying to assist a male in a wheelchair, reported that the chair had tipped over.

Saturday, Sept. 21 - At 5:23 p.m., a North Street female reported that her cellular phone was missing.

Sunday, Sept. 22 - At 12:51 a.m., an officer spoke to both parties involved in a domestic dispute.

Monday, Sept. 23 - At 9:42 a.m., a female reported that she had found a wallet on Harold Parker Road.

At 1:07 p.m., police gave a court summons to both a male and a female for possessing a Class E substance.

At 2:20 p.m., a male was given a no-trespassing notice.

At 3:29 p.m., an officer was to file on harassment at Andover High School.

At 4:01 p.m., a female reported that she lost her pocketbook on Tanglewood Way North.

At 8:14 p.m., a female came into the station to report a rape. The incident is under investigation, says Lt. Jim Hashem, who will say only that the female knew her alleged attacker.

Tuesday, Sept. 24 - At 1:57 a.m., police spoke to parties involved in a domestic dispute.

BREAKS

Thursday, Sept. 19 - At 9:48 p.m., a Worthen Place resident reported that someone had broken into her home and taken a credit card and some jewelry.

THEFTS

Wednesday, Sept. 18 - At 12:09 p.m., an officer filed a report about a larceny that happened on Main Street.

Thursday, Sept. 19 - At 9:28 a.m., a Lowell Street gas station reported that a customer drove off without paying for gas.

At 1:13 p.m., a Campanelli Road business reported that a customer had left without paying the bill.

Friday, Sept. 20 - At 3:44 p.m., a Glenwood Road resident reported that someone had broken into his carport and stolen his snowblower and other items.

At 6:49 p.m., a Crescent Drive caller reported a stolen calculator.

Sunday, Sept. 22 - At 11:01 a.m., a caller reported the theft of clothing from her room at the Marriott.

Tuesday, Sept. 24 - At 5:59 a.m., a CVS customer reported that a male stole her pocketbook.

—Rebecca Piro

Sting operation

Sting operations at Harold Parker State Forest last Thursday proved successful.

Officer Brian Blouin was dressed in plain clothes when he patrolled trails off Harold Parker Road Thursday afternoon, in response to several complaints of sexual activity in the area, says Sgt. Cecilia Blais. He came across two men allegedly exposing themselves and masturbating. They allegedly continued to do so even when the undercover officer approached them, Blais says. The officer called for backup and both were arrested. Frederick Szalkowski, 58, of Peabody and John Loveridge, 37, of Lawrence, were charged with lewd, wanton and lascivious conduct.

Two other men were arrested that same day in a separate incident, as part of the sting at Harold Parker, for possession of a Class D substance. Blouin, with the help of backup, arrested James Acton, 56, and Scott Maciel, 26, both of Wilmington. Blouin reportedly noticed the men when he walked past their pick-up truck and smelled marijuana.

Arrest at CVS

A male teenager, suspected of breaking into a Locke Street home, struggled with police officers outside of CVS Tuesday before he was arrested.

Jose Pacheco, 17, of 80 Memorial Circle, was allegedly seen breaking into a Locke Street home Tuesday afternoon, says Lt. Jim Hashem. A resident who witnessed the incident described the suspect to police. Lt. William Mackenzie spotted a male matching that description walking down Main Street moments later. When he tried to arrest him, the male refused to comply. Mackenzie called for backup, and with the help of other officers, Pacheco was arrested. Mackenzie suffered a minor injury to his hand, for which he was treated, Hashem adds.

Pacheco was charged with assault and battery on a police officer; breaking and entering during the daytime for a felony; possessing a burglarious instrument - a hammer; resisting arrest; and possessing a Class D substance.



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Transportation solution – for a price

Andover can provide more bus service for seniors, if selectmen willing to pay

By Rebecca Piro

Andover can bring public transportation to more of its residents who need it – if the town is willing to pay.

Joe Costanzo, administrator of the Merrimack Valley Regional Transportation Authority (MVRTA) has come up with a plan to address the complaints of many senior citizens who say the bus service doesn't cover enough of Andover. But it's going to cost the town, which pays \$108,700 for the current, scaled-back service.

For an extra \$27,200 Costanzo will add a "Ring and Ride" program to the town's MVRTA services, especially tailored to provide transportation to Ballardvale.

Route 22, the bus line through Ballardvale, was chopped from the Andover loop earlier this year when state funds were cut significantly. Legislators gave the Merrimack Valley \$3.9 million to run its buses – about \$400,000 short of what the Authority actually needs, Costanzo says. He says he had no choice but to make up the difference somewhere.

"My first reaction was to just take out both routes to save some serious money," says Costanzo.

Instead, he combined bus routes to make a longer Route 21 with less stops, which went into effect July 1. By August, seniors were complaining that it wasn't meeting their needs and was preventing their independence.

The current route takes 60

minutes to run its course, which is longer than the 45-minute route seniors enjoyed last year.

Fares have increased as well. Trips that used to cost a person \$1 to travel within Andover now costs \$3. Trips to another community used to cost \$2. Now, depending on the destination, they can cost up to \$9.

Only half of Costanzo's solution will cost the town more money, if officials decide to

approve it. At no extra charge, Costanzo has tweaked the stops on Route 21 to include Frye Circle and the Shawsheen Plaza. It still takes 60 minutes to run its course.

The "Ring and Ride" service for Ballardvale is where the extra \$27,200 comes in. With "Ring and Ride," residents must call MVRTA one day ahead to schedule a ride. The bus will meet them at the most convenient bus stop that existed on the former Route 22. The cost is \$2 for residents or \$1 for seniors, students, children and disabled riders.

Some seniors are still skeptical of whether the changes, if selectmen adopt them, will be enough to meet their needs. Resident Reuben Parker suggested that Saturday service be included. Costanzo says that, too, is possible – if the town is willing to pay.

"We have to balance fiscal responsibility with our responsibility to provide service to our seniors and young people," says Steve Colyer, vice-chairman of the MVRTA advisory board.

Selectmen will address the changes at their Oct. 7 meeting.



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Solution pulling in? – Seniors have complained about the scaled-back bus service. The solution is for the town to pay more money for more service.

Thumbs up for manager

■ EVALUATION

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force.

The town manager, who is appointed by the selectmen, is essentially in charge of the town's \$100-million budget.

Whether Stapczynski will receive a raise in his pay as thanks is yet to be determined, said selectmen. Stapczynski sat quietly during the discussion and thanked the selectmen for their time. "The comments are) certainly going to be helpful to me and my leadership team in the future," he said.

Take 2: Architects for senior center

By Rebecca Piro

The Senior Center Task Force is calling in the professionals.

Members are choosing an architect to design a new facility for Andover seniors, says Mary Lyman, selectman liaison for the project.

The task force advertised the project this summer and three different firms responded. All three have built senior centers for other communities, says Lyman. The task force is currently checking the architects' references and following up with representatives in the communities where they worked.

Once hired – and a hiring should happen in the next cou-

ple of weeks – the architect will analyze the sites that the task force has chosen thus far.

The task force's 15 volunteers have recommended two options: building behind the West Andover Fire Station near the proposed youth-center site, or adding onto the existing center at 36 Bartlet St.

Supporters say the current senior center doesn't adequately serve all the seniors who want to participate in programs and activities. They say they need a 27,000 square-foot facility to meet the needs of Andover's 3,800 people aged 65 or older. They also note that the senior-citizen population is projected to grow quickly.

The Task Force began its study last December by reviewing 14 sites the town had considered years ago. Members narrowed the choices to two options by considering factors such as location, environment and available parking.

The town will use the \$144,000 left from Town Meeting's seed-money gift of \$500,000, much of which was used to pursue the failed Will Hall project.

The task force has recommended that taxpayers pay for a new or expanded senior center with a debt exclusion.

The Will Hall project was to be funded entirely with private donations.

Police fill 'er up

Drug arrests at gas station help fill log

The Mobil gas station on Lowell Street is becoming a police hot spot for drug busts.

On Monday, police caught the same man who they say stole a vehicle from the Express Mart on Railroad Street a week ago, allegedly dealing drugs.

Paul McCarthy, 30, of 52 Brown St., Tewksbury, was arrested after he fled the parking lot in a blue Chevrolet pick-up truck, says Det. Sgt. Don Pattullo.

McCarthy and his wife were meeting another couple to sell drugs when they were spotted by undercover officers Mike Lane and Dave Carriere. When the officers approached McCarthy, he bolted from the scene. Police traced the license plate number on the truck to his Tewksbury home, discovered that

the truck he was driving was stolen, and confronted McCarthy on his doorstep.

McCarthy is being charged with receiving a stolen vehicle, driving to endanger, refusing to stop for police and larceny of the vehicle allegedly stolen from the Express Mart.

Last Friday night, police arrested Tony Petruzzelli, 28, of 115D Pleasant St., Melrose at the Mobil station. The undercover officers spotted Petruzzelli trying to sell drugs, says Pattullo. The officers arrested Petruzzelli, seized his car, \$5,100 and more than 60 bags of heroin.

Petruzzelli is being charged with possessing a Class A substance and possessing a Class A substance with the intent to distribute it.

— Rebecca Piro

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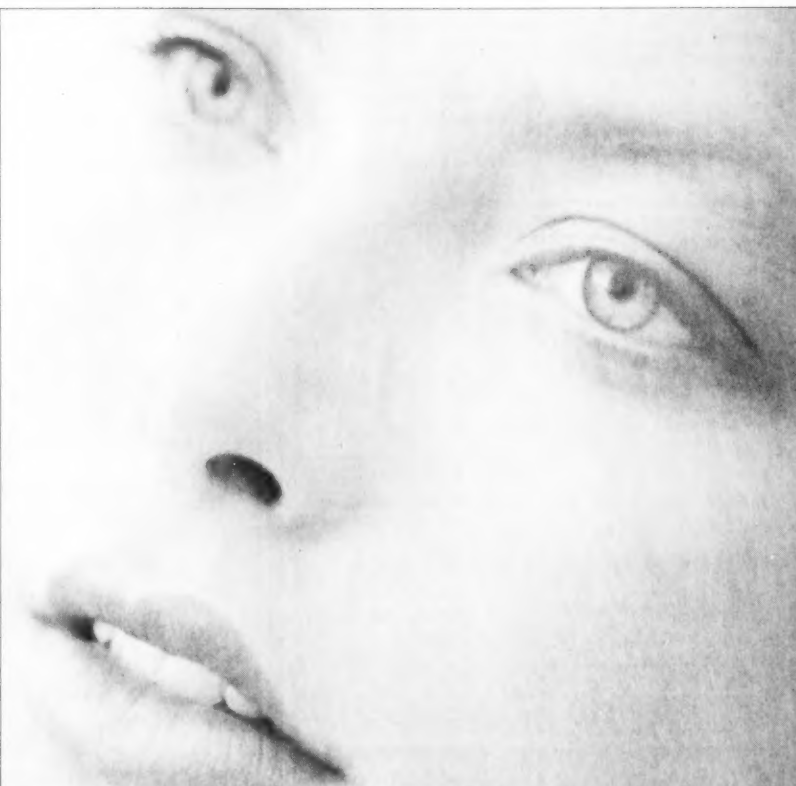
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Opinion

The rewards of doing what you love

SINCE HIS REMARKABLE Emmy Award victory on Sunday, Michael Chiklis hasn't slept much. But after he got a few hours of shut-eye on Tuesday, he bounded up, full of energy, and ran into the next room.

"There she was again," he said of his new trophy, the Emmy. "It wasn't a dream."

The award marked a turnaround for Chiklis, who says he been through some tremendous ups and downs during his career. After the end of his popular show, *The Commish*, Chiklis had trouble getting the types of leading-man auditions he wanted. He heard what casting agents were saying:

I don't even want to see him.

He's fat.

He's 50.

And this was while Chiklis was still in his 30s.

So, after his short-lived, situation comedy *Daddio* was canceled by NBC, Chiklis committed himself to improving his body, and changing his image. TV fans know that last season he landed the leading role on a new show called *The Shield* on cable network FX. On Sunday, he beat out the likes of Kiefer Sutherland and TV president Martin Sheen for his best-actor award.

It's that professional roller-coaster and personal commitment, that Chiklis thought about as he got emotional during his speech Sunday night. But he says that, through it all, he's never thought about giving up acting.

"You're pushing a button," said an emotional Chiklis late Tuesday night, nearly two full days after his win. "That's the whole thing that my wife and I have found so amazing. We've always held out hope. We've always held onto it. We've just believed."

Asked if he would become an actor again if he were 18 and had to start all over, he said, "Absolutely! No question about it."

Asked what he would have said one year ago, after *Daddio* was canceled and he had trouble getting readings, he said, "Absolutely! No question about it."

That's really the thing that all of us should admire, and emulate. Not the victory, but the commitment. Chiklis has the recipe for success: Find something you love and stick to it. Because even when times are tough, and even if you never reach the top of your profession, you're still living your dream every day.

Emmy Awards aside, what could be better to wake up to than that?

Web question

Should MCAS mean diploma?

Last week's *Townsmen* Web-site question was:

Approximately 30 percent of Andover's voters turned out at the primary polls on a warm, sunny Tuesday. What is your opinion on the turnout?

- 2, or 6 percent, said "Pretty good for a primary."
- 9, or 28 percent, said "Particularly after the September 11 anniversary, it's disappointing."
- 11, or 34 percent, said "Pathetic! Whatever happened to civic mindedness?"
- 10, or 31 percent, said "It is typical of voting trends. I am not surprised."

This week's question is: Andover High School Principal Peter Anderson says he won't withhold diplo-

mas from the five high-school seniors who failed the MCAS test. Superintendent Claudia Bach wasn't so sure. Should the kids graduate without passing the MCAS?

- Yes, it's ridiculous to hurt these kids' future based on a single test.
- Yes, the test is unfair and the law mandating it is sure to be challenged in court anyway.
- No, Andover schools must uphold Massachusetts law.
- No, if five kids can't apply themselves and pass a test, they don't deserve to graduate.
- Other.

To cast a vote, log onto <www.andovertownsmen.com>.

LETTERS

Good will needed

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I was struck by something in John D. Jordan's letter of Sept. 19. He wrote: "The reason that India cannot ... attack Pakistan is that Pakistan has nuclear weapons today."

But when India and, later, in retaliation and one-upmanship, Pakistan conducted their nuclear tests, both these countries had their knuckles rapped by America. India was threatened with sanctions (but not given them, since it would have hampered American business interests) and sanctions were placed on Pakistan. (They were later lifted when Pakistan became our ally in the "war against terrorism.") Now, Jordan argues, their nuclear arsenal is the very thing that keeps their individual third-world fingers off the nuclear button. Yet just a few months ago a nuclear war between the two seemed so real that the US was airlifting Americans from New Delhi.

Jordan also believes that "if we remove an extremely likely source of armaments from terrorists, it would seem to follow that it would be significantly harder for them to gain such weapons." True. But the terrorists who flew the planes into the WTC and the Pentagon were from Saudi Arabia, not Iraq. They used their bodies as armaments and US planes as their delivery system. They trained in American flight academies. They used box cutters as weapons, which most likely they bought at WalMart.

I don't believe the solution lies in religion either, since it was religion that the terrorists had co-opted for their purpose. It also does not lie in trying to find new meanings for evil. Perhaps what we need is to see the world "out there" as an extension of ourselves. We are all in this together.

Ultimately what may be needed is reason, good will, diplomacy and compassion to remove the cause of terrorism. Not more killings.

Champa Bilwakesh
5 Garfield Lane East

FALLING FOR AUTUMN



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Hannah Ameen, 5, of Andover, has a surprised expression of her own while viewing the painted pumpkins in Shawsheen Plaza.

Resident's guest column

Proposal to reduce health-care costs

Hayward
Zwerling,
M.D., FACP

Health-care costs are rising and are projected to approach 20 percent of the Gross Domestic Product in the near future. As a practicing physician, I am keenly aware that health-care costs have begun to exceed the ability of both my patients in particular, and society in general, to afford. Patients simplify this problem by seeking to blame a single "bad guy." The "bad guy" is variously identified as their insurance company, the pharmaceutical industry, overpaid executives, hospitals, physicians, inefficiencies in the system and/or other patients who abuse the health-care system. I believe that this problem is far more complicated.

If our politicians continue to ignore this problem, we can expect to pay an ever-greater percent of our GDP to the health-care industry.

Alternatively, our society can attempt to constrain the rising cost of health care by deciding that certain medical expenses will no longer be paid by communal funds derived from Medicare, Medicaid or commercial health-care insurance. As any attempt to limit health-care spending will be politically unappealing ("My 91-year-old grandmother was just diagnosed with breast cancer and my congressman voted to deny her medical treatment") no politician is likely to address this problem in a comprehensive manner. Until such time as the political environment changes, other solutions need to be tried.

As every physician is aware, our pharmaceutical industry, supported by our academic and government institutions, continually brings new treatment options to market. After a "breakthrough" product is brought to market (usually representing the first drug in a new "class" of medications), there invariably follow many "me too" drugs which are in the same "class."

Although it makes sense to have more than one pharmaceutical product within every class, it is not obvious that the fifth and sixth "me-too" product, within a class, helps to substantially reduce the price of that class of medicine. I believe Medicare should create a formulary that includes all currently FDA-approved medica-

tions. New medications would automatically be added to the Medicare formulary, after FDA approval, only if they are either 1) first in class, 2) provide a significant new treatment option or 3) the wholesale price of the second "me-too" medication is at least 50 percent less than the wholesale price of the first-in-class medication, while the wholesale price of the third and subsequent "me-too" medications must be at least 65 percent less. The net effect of this proposal will be to promote the creation of truly new pharmaceutical therapies while simultaneously promoting the development of more cost-effective pharmaceutical products.

If we hope to lower the cost of health care, the public needs to be educated as to the true costs and benefits associated with the use of pharmacologic agents as well as the costs and utility associated with the treatment of many end-stage diseases. Once they are thus educated, incentives need to be instituted to discourage the public from utilizing "cost-ineffective" therapies.

Most people probably believe that if they take a prescribed medication to prevent the development of a medical condition, it will be unlikely that they will ever develop the condition. In fact, this is not the case. Although the prophylactic treatment for a medical problem may reduce a person's risk of developing the problem, the therapy, in many cases, is likely to reduce their risk by a few percent up to, at best, 75 percent. For example, the treatment of women with osteoporosis will reduce the likelihood of developing a new fracture, after three years therapy, from 18 percent down to 14 percent. Therefore, a physician would need to treat 25 women for three years in order to prevent one fracture. Despite treatment, one in seven women treated will have a new fracture. Thus, despite the patient's impression that they are taking a pill to "cure" them of osteoporosis, the reality is otherwise.

In addition, most patients being treated for osteoporosis probably assume that the only cost incurred by society is the cost of the medicine. This conclusion is also incorrect. The cost to prevent one fracture is the total cost of treating 25 women for three years, including the cost of the medication plus the cost of the office visits, lab

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We must acknowledge that there are some diseases that are either 'too expensive' to treat, or on which our current treatment modalities are not effective.

THE THURSDAY FILE

Act as if it were impossible to fail.

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Never discourage anyone ... who continually makes progress, no matter how slow.

PLATO

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GILBERT KEITH CHESTERTON

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LUDWIG WITGENSTEIN

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ADRIAN VAN HOYDONK

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ANDRE MAUROIS

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TRANSLATION:

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MEXICAN PROVERB

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WILLIAM PENN
1693

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Steve MacDowall started the file two years and sent it to 10 people. Today it is sent to more than 10,000.

The Web site for his creation is <www.hudsonvanloo.ca> and it suggests books to read and offers quotations such as the ones at right.

LETTERS

There was no bikini car wash

Editor, Townsman:

I was saddened to see the letter written by Sandy Hitchins in last week's *Townsman* addressing the signs she saw advertising a Bikini Car Wash ("Bikini car wash not way to boost high school's cheerleading team"). It is a very good idea to research one's subject before writing about an issue so as not to hurt innocent people and toss out false accusations based on assumptions.

I, too, am the mother of two daughters, one in college and one at Andover High. My oldest daughter was, and my youngest daughter is currently, involved in cheerleading at the high school. Both of my daughters are the absolute antithesis of the stereotypical cheerleader, each earning high honors, ranking in the top 10 percent of their class, as well as dancing competitively and taking their role as cheerleader very seriously.

I feel the need to provide not only Hitchins but the community as well with facts, not assumptions.

Fact 1: A bikini car wash was never planned and never occurred.

Fact 2: Using poor judgment, and not really thinking about the repercussions such signs would cause, a few cheerleaders took it upon themselves to advertise in this fashion.

Fact 3: No parent, coach, captain or fellow cheerleader was aware of this action and never condoned such behavior.

Fact 4: As soon as the coach, parents and fellow cheerleaders became aware of these signs, they were immediately removed and the parties responsible were reprimanded.

It is unfortunate that such lack of judgment could in one fell swoop negate all the positive achievements of the cheerleaders. It is a shame that my daughter and other members of the squad who found this act deplorable and degrading, not only to themselves but to women in general, have to now defend themselves and their beliefs on a daily basis. And it is quite unfortunate that through Hitchins' wrong assumptions, many people have read her letter and now also assume the worst.

I take the accusations quite personally that my daughter was "selling her body" and that, as

ACT home should have to follow same laws as others

Editor, Townsman:

Heather Drive residents have received a letter from ACT concerning the lot at 13 Heather Drive. The letter was remarkable in what it failed to say as well as in what it did say.

We are the immediate abutters to that lot. Our homes at 9 and 11 Heather Drive were moved to this street more than 50 years ago to enable the establishment of the bird sanctuary, i.e., to serve our need to preserve the environment and habitat for wildlife. At the time, this end of Heather Drive had been pasture land or bottom land. Such land is wet but little was known about wetlands or their relationship to watersheds, our drinking supply or natural habitats. Today, that has changed. We now recognize the importance of preserving those watersheds and habitats, not only for their natural beauty, but also for our own survival.

Drinkable water, and prevention of environmental and water pollution, have been identified as the key issues for the 21st Century. Andover is currently engaged in an extensive sewer construction project by which 40 miles of sewers will be installed in our and other sections of town. The rea-

son for this construction is to preserve the quality of our environment and water supply.

The lot at 13 Heather Drive, even during the current drought, lies not only within a hundred feet of a certified vernal pool, but also within the spotted-turtle habitat that in the last year gave cause to limit and/or cancel development in adjacent parcels of land.

In their letter, the members of ACT mention that the lot is similar to nearby properties. As mentioned above, it may be, but when those properties were built upon or had houses moved onto them, our knowledge and, hence, the standards for building were different. The lots conformed to the standards applicable at the time they were developed. Those standards have changed and while the law allows our houses to remain because they were legally built and allowed by the town, any new building, as the members of ACT must know, must conform to current standards. The lot at 13 Heather Drive, as they admit, does not.

In their letter, ACT noted that it had "begun the approval process" with submission of a "request for determination of applicability to the Conserva-

tion Commission, which met Sept. 17. Under current procedures, given the designation of the lot as part of the spotted-turtle habitat, the correct procedure would have been to have given notice of an intent to file plans. In either case, we as the abutters shall be requesting that all submissions, requests, filings or plans presented be submitted to Pat Huckery of the state's Natural Heritage Program for his full review and consideration in light of the current designation and current classification of the property as spotted turtle-habitat and its abutment to certified wetlands.

We are empathetic to ACT's desire to build affordable housing. However, that cannot be at the expense of polluting our water supply and damaging our environment or that of a recognized endangered species. When our houses were moved here, they conformed to the laws as they then stood. We will be asking that ACT do the same in accordance with today's standards and that no exemption be granted.

Kirby Lander
9 Heather Drive
Louise Hart
11 Heather Drive

O'Brien should reach out to Reich

Editor, Townsman:

Conventional wisdom was that a Robert Reich candidacy for governor could not happen: he started too late and he didn't have any money. But his candidacy did happen: he made it through the caucuses, got his name on the ballot, and came out of the Democratic convention in one piece.

What the Reich campaign lacked in money, it made up for with enthusiasm, persistence and a dream. The youthful zeal and idealism I saw in the campaign was refreshing and contagious. Robert Reich has vision, intelligence, and world-class experience. I was fortunate to speak with him on many occasions during the campaign to better understand his ideas. I also was also fortunate to meet and hear Clare Dalton, an outstanding law professor and Reich's life-long partner, speak intelligently and passionately about the issues that are important in Massachusetts.

Reich spoke about the need for political reform and the need to reenergize the citizens in order to "lift the entire boat" and change the way business is conducted on Beacon Hill. His message rang true for many in Massachusetts: in 100 communities, including Andover, Reich

received the plurality of votes in the Democratic primary for governor, and he received 25 percent of all Democratic primary votes.

But now, the primary-election campaign is over and the voters have chosen Shannon O'Brien to be the Democratic Party nominee for governor. Conventional wisdom is that we now close ranks in a display of unity, and support the O'Brien campaign. I agree with that exhortation. But I also know that displays of unity that are limited to sound bites, visual imagery, or simple direction from local or state Democratic Party leaders will not be enough.

The gubernatorial campaign this fall will be rough and tough, Massachusetts style. The O'Brien campaign will need every vote and every bit of energy and enthusiasm it can muster to be victorious. The primary election clearly indicated that the voters, 42 percent of whom voted in the Democratic primary, are seeking true government reforms and a change in the way business is conducted on Beacon Hill.

How will the Shannon O'Brien campaign draw on the support of the reform-minded voters? I have some suggestions.

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her parent, I have not instilled in her the proper morals, or that I have not been a good role model for her. They anger me a great deal. My daughters have extremely high values and morals.

They have also been taught that we, as human beings, are empowered by truth.

Ms. Hitchins, why not ask the girl's coach how many members of the squad are on the National Honor Society? Why not ask about the wonderful community service they do? Why not ask if any of your assumptions were true before you wrote that letter?

One statement you made was true. There has been a disservice. But not by the cheerleaders to Andover High but rather by you.

Your letter was based on assumptions and filled with false accusations and it succeeded in fueling a fire that need not have been started.

Nancy Cramer
Barbara Lane

Bike lament

Editor, Townsman:

I'd like to commend Judy Wakefield on last week's Town Talk article regarding the repaving of North Main Street. The new painted lanes have definitely made the drive a much safer one. However, the stretch between Shawsheen Square and Shawsheen shopping plaza still continues to be a problem because drivers want to squeeze two lanes into one.

My suggestion for highway spokesman Doug Cope and Planning Director Steve Colyer: If the road is too narrow to accommodate four lanes then why not reduce the size of the existing two lanes to a more normal width? This could be done by widening the shoulders on both sides of the road and would have the added benefit of providing a place for bicyclists to more safely travel this section of Route 28.

Victor Morris
35 Washington Ave.

Reich impressed

Editor, Townsman:

As someone active in the Democratic Party for many years, I was extremely impressed not only by Robert Reich's intelligence, depth, dignity, and grace, but by the enthusiastic energy his supporters showed across the Commonwealth, especially here in Andover, which he carried. They displayed incredible dedication and vigor, from the caucus in February through last Tuesday.

In my opinion, Reich was the most articulate and gracious candidate to speak on election night. After his speech, he continued to show class by going right away to the O'Brien gathering. He looked me in the eye and told me it was his pleasure to be there. I believe him. My most sincere hope is that Reich and his energized supporters remain the important voice in the Democratic Party that they rightfully deserve to be.

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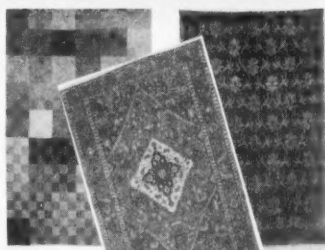
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OPINION

Some diseases: 'Too expensive'?

MEDICAL BILLS

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tests and radiology studies which are necessary to monitor the prescribed therapy. In the area of "high" cholesterol, a physician will need to treat many patients for a few years to prevent one death. The cost to prevent one death, for some "low-risk" patients, may be as high as \$100,000 to \$700,000 per year of life saved. Similarly, screening women for breast cancer, who are between the ages of 40 and 49 may not be a prudent use of limited health-care dollars as it is estimated to prolong life expectancy by only 2.5 days, at a cost of \$105,000 per year of life saved. (Currently, an expenditure of up to \$25,000 per year of life saved is felt to be "cost-effective.") Thus, the cost of medical therapy is much higher than most patients realize.

Another area of health care, where large amounts of money are spent with little documented benefit, occurs during end-of-life treatments. In oncology, large sums of money are spent on the treatment of advanced-stage cancers, with little expectation that the treatment will beneficially impact the patient's survival. For example, advanced pancreatic cancer has a two-year survival rate of 6 percent, the five-year survival for advanced lung cancer is 1 percent, while the five-year survival for advanced colon cancer is 4 percent. Similar statistics could be generated for many

non-oncologic end-stage diseases such as emphysema, congestive heart failure, coronary heart disease, diabetes and renal disease.

If society expects to reduce health-care expenditures, the individual user must be encouraged to help reduce health-care costs. The current Medicare, Medicaid and commercial health-care systems are structured, in part, to hide the actual cost of services from the patient. This is accomplished by having the patient pay a small, fixed co-pay for an office visit and pay little or nothing for an ordered diagnostic test. Every physician has had the experience where a patient asked to have the most expensive antibiotic prescribed or the most expensive diagnostic test ordered. When the physician explains, "the prescribed (and less expensive) therapy will work 97 percent of the time, I can order the other (more expensive) therapy next week, if the first-line treatment does not work," patients will sometimes demand that the more expensive therapy, justifying the decision by saying "my insurance company will pay for it."

I believe that a restructuring of the health-care payment system will bring down health-care costs only if the re-designed system caused every patient to experience some "financial pain" as a result of every medical decision. At the same time, one needs to ensure

that the amount of "financial pain" experienced by each patient is approximately the same, regardless of their income status. This could be accomplished by requiring that every patient pay a percentage of every medical expense at the time the service is rendered. In addition, the percentage paid would be proportional to a patient's income or net worth. High net-worth individuals would pay, say, 85 percent of the cost, while low-income individuals would pay only 5 percent. The net effect of this proposal would be to encourage patients to make their own "cost-effective" analysis of every medical decision with the guidance of their physician.

In the end, I believe that the only way to prevent an ever-increasing percentage of the GDP from being spent on health care is for our society and politicians to begin a serious and dispassionate discussion of the cost/benefit relationship of various treatment modalities. As part of this discussion, we must acknowledge that there are some diseases that are either "too expensive" to treat, or on which our current treatment modalities are not effective. The re-design of our health-care payment system must ensure that the consumer is also encouraged to use health-care resources wisely.

Hayward Zwerling is a medical doctor who lives at 10 Coventry Lane in Andover.

O'Brien should tap into Reich's mind

LETTER

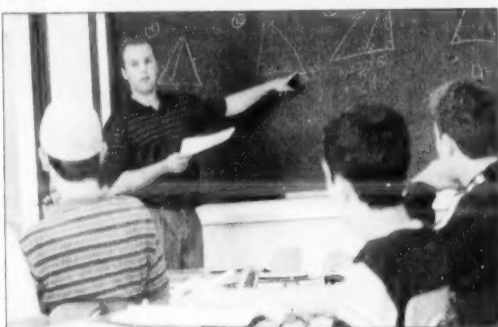
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The O'Brien team must make significant efforts to reach out to the reform-minded supporters. The O'Brien campaign team can tap into an amazing amount of support and energy to ensure that O'Brien is elected in November. However,

O'Brien must embrace not only the idea of political and government reform but provide specifics. She needs to sit down with Reich and take to heart his ideas and demonstrate to the reform-minded voters that she is committed to government reform during her first term as governor.

There is still a lot of youthful zeal and enthusiasm out here waiting in the wings to help bring victory to O'Brien in November. Ms. O'Brien, just say the word ... but don't wait too long.

John F. Zipeto
14 Canterbury St.



Andover High classes seem to be performing well on the MCAS, as AHS ranks 17th out of 208 state districts.

At Andover High:

MCAS failure may not block graduation

Failing MCAS

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MCAS, says Anderson. He's also concerned about the fairness of inflicting the same academic standards on kids who attend vocational high schools, since they receive less academic training than those at a typical high school. He says the more important life skills, such as problem solving and carrying on a conversation, are not measured by the test. MCAS also doesn't account for the struggles of minority kids who are taking the test in a language that is not their first, and it puts kids who move to Massachusetts their senior year — who haven't necessarily studied the same material — at a disadvantage, he says.

Sophomore Alexandra Avila, who just moved from Florida, says she is a little nervous about taking MCAS this year for just that reason. "The other students have been studying it for a while," she says.

Anderson predicts that by the time May rolls around, several high schools will have followed his lead by appealing their students' failing scores. He also believes students and school districts will file lawsuits against the Department of Education. If that happens, he thinks it's possible that the state will delay its MCAS crackdown, and allow MCAS-failing seniors to slide by next year.

But if any AHS students do get waived through, says Claudia Bach, superintendent of schools, it won't become a frequent practice.

"Commissioner (of Education) David Driscoll is expecting that what the state has set out as law will be abided by," she says. She will, however, consider supporting Anderson in pursuing a reprieve from the state for this year's students.

Fighting for those students who fail won't dissuade other students from giving their best when it comes to taking MCAS, says Anderson.

"The kids take the test seriously here in Andover. We try to explain to them that it's in their best interest to do well on the test," he says, adding that they are strongly influenced by their parents, who, for the most part, expect that their children will continue their education after high school.

Impressive scores

MCAS RESULTS

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Five current AHS seniors have not yet passed the MCAS and are in danger of not graduating, according to state law. Those students will have a final opportunity to pass at a retake in December.

A closer look

Average scores for AHS sophomores increased by eight points, from 245 to 253, says principal Peter Anderson. Students must earn at least a 220 to pass the exam. The maximum score is 280.

"The kids take the test seriously here in Andover," says Anderson. "They really knock themselves out."

AHS teachers don't teach to the test, Anderson says. Rather, he attributes the students' success to the teachers taking time in the classroom to include MCAS-like questions in the form of multiple choice and short essays.

"We do try to make sure they understand the kinds of things they will see on that test," he says.

He also points to lower grade levels as having provided the educational foundation. "The elementary and middle schools deserve credit for this as well. It's a cumulative effect," he says.

Scott Morrison, principal at Bancroft Elementary, agrees that success on the

MCAS has much to do with the way Andover's schools — at all grades — have developed their curriculum together, and taken pains to align it with the state's framework. At Bancroft, test results for last year's fourth-graders also improved, where the average score jumped nine points. Only three students did not pass the exam.

Morrison plans to analyze the MCAS scores for Bancroft in much the same fashion as last year; he'll sit down with a handful of students and listen to what they thought was difficult.

"You get insight into how they react to (a certain) question," Morrison says.

Fourth-grade students won't see the MCAS again until the spring. But at the high school, where the December retake is just around the corner, teachers will be offering MCAS extra-help sessions, just as they did last year.

"We offered some Saturday sessions ... for students who failed or were in danger of failing," says Brian Stack, a math teacher at AHS who also helps run the remediation sessions. "(The kids) aren't overly thrilled about having to take the test, but I think a vast majority realize they just have to go in there and do their best."

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TOWN TALK

Making the 'honey-do' list...

While there were probably many reasons ABC news anchor Peter Jennings and producer Todd Brewster wanted to speak at Phillips Academy's interfaith service on Sunday, family harmony clearly played a role.

Jennings' wife was a member of the first female class to graduate from the private school. Brewster's spouse taught at the school, said Jennings, who added with a smile, "so we at least know when our arms are being twisted."

—Neil Fater

'How Do Ya Like Me Now?'

Ever since the much-plagued and publicized Andover High School project tarnished the name of Earl R. Flansburgh + Associates in town, the Boston-based architectural firm has been sending releases here about their successful projects.

The latest release noted that "Flansburgh Associates" has received a first-place award from the Society of Marketing Professional Services for its work on the \$22 million Triton Regional High School/Triton Regional Middle School renovation and expansion project. The annual award recognizes a design, construction and owner team for "delivering a project on-budget and on-time." The Triton job was finished five months ahead of schedule and \$1 million below the initial budget.

That's quite a difference from the more than \$3-million over-budget and much delayed Andover job, which saw the architect pay back money to the town, when lawsuits were finally settled. The contractor, joint venture Stone-Congress, had to make no such payment.

—Neil Fater

Another step closer

If parents and teachers are anxious for Andover's next assistant superintendent to begin work, Superintendent Claudia Bach understands. "When I look at that empty room and that pile on my desk, I wish he or she were here too," said Bach.

Bach completed site visits of the assistant superintendent candidates this week, moving the assistant superintendent search a step closer to completion. Bach visited candidate Marguerite "Maggie" Shook's school district in Sylvania, Ga., on Sept. 16. She visited Marcia Adams O'Neil's district in North Reading on Tuesday and expected to visit David Sandmann's district in Winchendon, Mass., on Wednesday after *Townsmen* presstime.

—Ben Hellman

An airhead story, but worth sharing

It's not every day the head of a private school shares a story about his "airhead" experience, but the Pike School chief did just that.

Like many Andover parents, Muddy Waters, head of Pike School, was scrambling to get his son off to Brooks School and himself to the office last Thursday morning.

He put a folder of essays on the roof of his car as he walked to retrieve the newspaper.

"It's my airhead experience...my son came out, got into the car and I drove away with the folder on the roof of the car," Waters recalled.

Waters, who teaches an eighth-grade history class at Pike, had 14 essays about the American revolution blowing around somewhere between Arcadia Road and Brooks School.

"I retraced my steps...I'm a biker so I rode my bike and looked and still didn't find them," he said. "Twenty-eight years (in teaching) and I have never lost a set of papers. I was pretty upset."

But, about 9:30 that night, he got a phone call from an Andover man who saw the essays blowing around on Ballardvale Road and scooped up 13 of them. It was Mark Lang of Wildwood Road.

Lang noticed "Mr. Waters' class" on an essay and set out to find what school belonged to the essays. Calls to Doherty Middle and West Middle schools were fruitless as there are no "Mr. Waters" there.

"I know what it's like when you have to redo papers," said Lang. "I wanted to save 13 kids from redoing them."

So, Lang went online, tracked down Waters' phone number

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ON THE SCENE

A distinctly international flavor

Newcomers on the scene find friendship in welcoming group

It's a long way from São Paulo, Brazil to Andover. But that's the move Marcia and Tony Guimaraes had to make when his employer — Bank of Boston — transferred him from South to North America several years ago.



ON THE SCENE

Judy Wakefield

So, what's a young Brazilian mother to do? She and her husband joined the Newcomers Club of Andover and North Andover, which

many couples in similar situations do. It's been several years since they joined, but the couple still belongs because they made great friends through the club. Getting together is still a fun night out for them.

Last Friday night, the Guimaraes were among the 100 people who turned out at the Lanam Club for the Newcomers fall social. A jazz trio supplied the music while mother nature provided a perfect late summer night for the event, held in the backyard tent at the Lanam Club.

Many faces were those of couples from different countries who moved to Andover and reached out to the club for social reasons.

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It was a good turnout for the Newcomers Club fall social at the Lanam Club last Friday night.



The international flavor was alive at the Newcomers fall social with many European natives including (from left) Diana Bourgeois, originally from France, Maeve McGrotty, originally from Ireland, and their husbands, N. Olivier Bourgeois and Terence McGrotty.



From left, John and Sally Matson of Andover, longtime club members, catch up with Bill Carlson of North Andover.



Club members who attended included, from left, Beth Koenig of North Andover, and Mary Hall and Lisa Raphael, both of Andover.

Providing the background jazz were Joe Mulholland on piano; Paul Ahlstrand on saxophone and Vick Aparo on bass.



Photos by Tim Jean

'TIME FLIES'



'TIME FLIES' ILLUSTRATION BY ED PARKER

SouthWinds at South Church — How do we find the ways and resources to cope with the continuing struggle to find a balance between the spiritual and secular parts of our being? How do we "find the time" to feed our spiritual needs? This fall the theme of the SouthWinds services at South Church will center on the "Human Condition" — how hope, faith, humility, justice, and relationships fit in the structure of busy lives. Music for the fall series will feature jazz, folk, gospel, contemporary and classical. "It's About Time," the first of the SouthWinds fall program, will start this Saturday, Sept. 28, at 5 p.m. at South Church. With music by the Phillips Academy Faculty Jazz Band, the worship service will explore the issues around finding spiritual time in the turmoil and demands of everyday life. According to organizers, "This will begin the fifth year for SouthWinds, in what has been an evolving series of contemporary worship services exploring spiritual values in a secular society, providing an other way to make God's word relevant in our daily lives."

A September celebration

'Norman' Yu, turning 90 on Friday, wishes he could share his love of this month with everyone

By Ben Hellman

NAI CHEN "NORMAN" YU has a lot to celebrate. He will turn 90 years old tomorrow, Friday Sept. 27. His son is expecting his first grandchild this month, Yu's first great-grandchild. And Yu, who survived the Japanese invasion of China and the rise of communism there, is free, independent and living in America.

Yu says he wishes he could share his love of September with everyone. "Only terrorists turned it to 'Black September,' but to me September is very good," he said. Yu is the son and grandson of potato farmers. "To the farmer, September is the best month of the year. September is the harvest. A farmer's life is very stable, very peaceful," he said.

But Yu's life has been anything but stable. He spoke of his near death by communist agents when he was 22. "Three secret police came to my hotel for me," he said. The men had guns. Yu struggled and made a scene and a missionary pleaded his case with the US consulate. Yu was held without trial for a month. Without US intervention, he believes he would have been killed. "I owe the American government my life," he said.

He says the abduction by secret police wasn't his first brush with death. He had already survived cholera and dysentery without the benefit of medicine or doctors, and a near drowning at 12. Yu says he was captured by the ocean's current, but was saved when he was fished out by a man in a boat with a bamboo pole.

Yu speaks of his grandfather fondly and often, a

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"Norman" Yu, who works as a senior volunteer in the media center at Doherty Middle School, demonstrates the movements of Tai-chi.

FIRST BIRTHDAYS



Victoria Elizabeth Young

Victoria Elizabeth Young celebrated her first birthday Sept. 11. She was born one hour before the first plane hit the World Trade Center. She brought happiness to her family on what turned out to be a very sad day, they said. Victoria lives in Beaufort, N.C. with her parents, Megan and Kevin Young, and her brother, Kevin Jr., 4. They flew to Boston last weekend to celebrate at a party given by her grandparents, Judy and Fred Young, formerly of Andover. Victoria, the great-granddaughter of Carmela Young of Wakefield, loves to play with her older brother and try many new foods.



Patrick Tracy McConnell

Patrick Tracy McConnell turned 1 on Sept. 20. He is the son of Matt and Brenda McConnell of Andover. Grandparents are Jim and Maryanne Tracy of Tewksbury and Bob and Gladys McConnell of Arlington. Patrick is a very happy and loving little boy. He enjoys playing with his big sister Colleen, 3, and his golden retriever, Walter. Patrick also has many cousins he enjoys watching; two of his favorites are Michael and Brian of Andover.



Trenton Noble DeBonis

Trenton Noble DeBonis turns 1 today, Sept. 26. He is the son of Frank DeBonis and Sharon Noble of Andover. Grandparents are Frank and Sue DeBonis of Stillwater, N.J. and Vernon and Mary Lou Noble of San Diego, Calif. Great-grandmother is Vera Kraft Noble of Arcadia, Mich. Trent likes to ride on swings, play in the water, and play with his dogs, Otis and Olive.



Samuel Thomas Sheehan

Samuel Thomas Sheehan celebrated his first birthday Sept. 2. He is the son of Thomas and Karyn Sheehan of Andover. Grandparents are Clinton and Peggy Baker of Haverhill, formerly of Andover, Mildred Sheehan of Andover and the late Charles Sheehan. Sam loves riding in his little red buggy and snuggling with his dog Libby.



Maya Lucienne Stadler

Maya Lucienne Stadler celebrated her first birthday Sept. 17. She is the daughter of Jason and Laurie (Pelletier) Stadler of New London, N.H. Grandparents are Robert and Linda Pelletier of Andover and William and Patricia Stadler of North Andover. Maya is a very happy baby who enjoys saying "Hi" on the phone, giving kisses and swimming. She also enjoys helping Daddy play music on the guitar.



Olga Maria Gorman

Olga Maria Gorman turns 1 today, Sept. 26, less than a week after she arrived home from Russia. She is the daughter of David and Bess Gorman of Countryside Way. Grandparents are Marina and Eleftherios Beikoussis of Plaistow, N.H., Mary Lynn Gorman of Avon, Conn., and David and Alice Gorman of Windsor, Conn. She also has a 95-year-old great-grandmother, Estelle Gorman of Newton. Olga's two big brothers, Aleksey, 4½, and Alexander (Sasha), 2½, love her very much and are very happy that she is finally home, just in time to eat lots of cake on her birthday.



Connor Oliver Nuskus

Connor Oliver Nuskus turned 1 on Sept. 16. He is the son of Kevin and Kirstin Nuskus of George Street. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Frederick N. Nowell III of Andover and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth D. Nuskus of Scottsdale, Ariz. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Frederick N. Nowell Jr. of Andover and Mrs. Ruth Nuskus of Hamilton, Ohio. Connor's aunts and uncles include Nick and Ashley Nowell of Andover and Kimberly Nuskus of Scottsdale, Ariz.



Elizabeth Anne McNally

Elizabeth Anne McNally turned 1 on Sept. 4. She is the daughter of Christopher and Vivian McNally of Pensacola, Fla. Grandparents are Terry and Alan McNally of Andover, Vivian Vila of Pensacola, Fla. and Alex Freda of Tampa, Fla. Elizabeth loves to give hugs and chase the cat.



Kathryn Burns

Kathryn Burns celebrated her first birthday Sept. 7. She is the daughter of Mark and Kelly Burns of Linda Road. Grandparents are Cathy Raadmae and David Fournier of North Andover and Ed and Claire Burns of Milford. Great-grandparents are Ann Jaworski of Methuen and August Raadmae of Lawrence. Kathryn loves to play with her friends, books and go for walks.



Tyler Richard Durling

Tyler Richard Durling celebrated his first birthday Sept. 23. He is the son of Ray and Judy Durling of Barrington Drive. Grandparents are Arthur and Sandra Durling of Andover and Richard and Ruby Seville of Wilmington. Great-grandmothers are Marjorie Durling and Kathryn Seville.



Ella Gray Reck

Ella Gray Reck celebrated her first birthday Sept. 18. She is the daughter of Joanna and John Reck of Chestnut Street. Her fan club members are grandparents Robert and Virginia Reck and great-grandmother Virginia Perry of Highland Road, and grandmothers Sandy Mahoney and Mimi Ford of Punta Gorda, Fla. "Ella is an adorable, happy goofball who loves to sing, kamikaze her scooter into her two (patient) Golden Retrievers, and lead the wave at family dinners."



Lindi Mary Schroeder

Lindi Mary Schroeder celebrated her first birthday Sept. 22. She is the daughter of Richard Schroeder and Susan Lindholm of Summer Street. Grandparents are Edward and M. Ernestine Lindholm of Bristol, N.H., formerly of Andover, and Pete and Mike Schroeder of Lakeville. Lindi loves going to the lake and visiting her grandparents in Bristol, N.H. and going to Lakeville to feed her other grandparents' dog, Quick.



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FIRST BIRTHDAYS



Benjamin Coopers Ashworth

Benjamin Coopers Ashworth turned 1 on Sept. 22. The son of Jeff and Sarah Ashworth of Cross Street, he keeps his parents on the go all the time. He loves to chase the family pups, watch the cars go by and explore anywhere his hands and feet will take him. His grandparents are Gerald and Jeanne Ashworth of Andover, Constance Griffin of Ogunquit, Maine and Roger and Carol Griffin of Clinton. Great-grandparents are George and Miriam Oshry of Brookline, and Earl and Gladys Ashworth of Sarasota, Fla.



Therese Pelletier

Therese Pelletier turned 1 on Sept. 20. She is the daughter of Gary and Micheline Pelletier. She celebrated by having a party with her big brother Kenyon, her parents, many cousins and aunts and uncles.



William F. Granger

William F. Granger celebrated his first birthday Sept. 21. He is the son of Susan and Fitz Granger of Lowell Street. He has really enjoyed his first year and a large party was planned for the big day.

FIRST BIRTHDAYS

~ 2002 KEY DATES ~

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BABIES CELEBRATING THEIR FIRST BIRTHDAYS, affiliated with Andover, may have their pictures in the *Townsmen* free. They will normally appear in the issue dated the last Thursday of the month, in the month of baby's first birthday. All babies having an October 2002 first birthday will be published in the Oct. 31 issue. All photos must be received by 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 25. Births are printed the first Thursday of the month.

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ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

100 Years Ago - 1902

Rev. William C. Merrill of Lynn, who preached at the West Church Sunday in exchange with Rev. G.A. Andrews, had a rather unique experience while on the way to Andover from Lynn Sunday forenoon. He attempted to make the trip by the electric cars of the Boston & Northern street railway, but found that for some reason the cars were delayed and that it would be impossible for him to reach Andover in that way in time to keep his appointment here. He proved to be a man of resource, however, for he hailed a passing automobile and hired passage therein.

The Andover Mothers' Club held its first meeting of the year at the kindergarten room, Friday Sept. 12, at 8:30. Business plans were discussed after which Miss Hinchcliff gave a helpful talk to the mothers. Tea and cake were passed by Miss Reed, Miss Scott, Mrs. Adams, and Mrs. Burt.

75 Years Ago - 1927

Dancing with music by a snappy, jazzy, orchestra has been added to the list of attractions for the Wolcott Avenue fair, to be held in aid of the Andover Guild, Saturday afternoon and evening. The orchestra will be located on the terrace of the O'Connell home, which is practically in the center of the avenue.

Indian Ridge Rebekah Lodge 136 elected officers for the coming year and observed

the 76th anniversary of the Rebekah degree at the meeting held in Fraternal Hall Monday evening. After the meeting, a social hour was enjoyed and refreshments of sandwiches, cake, and coffee were served.

50 Years Ago - 1952

The need of additional school facilities to house the town's growing school population was the subject of a lengthy discussion at the meeting of the school board Tuesday night. As a result, it was voted on motion of William A. Doherty, seconded by C. Carleton Kimball, that the School Committee ask the annual town meeting to appoint a committee to consider the needs of the town for housing the school population.

Interest in the state primary contests and the much debated question of rent control brought 3,317 of the town's 7,419 registered voters to the polls Tuesday. This is a turnout of 44.7 percent of the vote. There were 2,564 Republican and 753 Democratic votes. On rent control 3,296 ballots were cast.

25 Years Ago - 1977

A reduction in force policy that would make staff cuts on a system-wide basis rather than on a school by school basis, was given a preliminary nod by the School Committee Tuesday night. The former policy provided that cuts be made on a school by school basis when staff reductions became neces-

sary because of a decrease in enrollment, decrease in revenues, curriculum changes, "or just for other reasons."

The Andover School Committee indicated Tuesday night it will go along with a new "assistant superintendent" instead of an associate, providing the new position doesn't leave them open to any litigation. Supt. Kenneth R. Seifert proposed an organization chart that would have an assistant superintendent reporting directly to him, and said that an associate normally exists in school systems much larger than Andover's.

10 Years Ago - 1992

A 1984 Pontiac Firebird was hit and dragged nearly 50 feet by an MBTA passenger train, after the driver of the car attempted to go around the train gate.

A number of parents met with town and school officials to discuss ideas for new teen programs.

Frank Paul, business manager for the Andover Public Schools, handed his resignation to the School Committee. Paul will retire in January after 12 years with the Andover Public Schools. Paul has maintained the financial stability of the school system through his ability to quote budget items "to the penny," the School Committee said.

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OBITUARIES

Sharon W. Armstrong

Managed care director at Winchester Hospital

Sharon W. (Worcester) Armstrong, 34, of North Reading and formerly of Andover, died Thursday, Sept. 19, following a courageous battle with Hodgkin's disease and leukemia.

She was born in Melrose and raised in Andover. She graduated from Mount Holyoke College in 1990 and earned her master's degree in health administration from Duke University in 1992.

Mrs. Armstrong worked for Winchester Hospital for 10 years and served as the hospital's primary negotiator for contracts with health-care plans and physician groups.

An avid golfer, Mrs. Armstrong played often during her travels with her husband across the country, family members said. She loved all animals, especially her four cats: Cali, Mailman, Jazz, and Oreo.

Members of her family include her husband, Benton Armstrong of North Reading; parents, Charles and Barbara (Sample) Worcester of Andover; brother, Brian Worcester of Reading and his wife, Kristina; sister, US Navy Lt. Julia Worcester of Charlottesville, Va.; grandmothers, Virginia Sample of Concord and Cynthia Worcester of Bristol, R.I.; parents-in-law, Bob and Alyce Armstrong of Sanford, N.C.; sister-in-law, Jennifer Armstrong Hicks of Raleigh, N.C.; and several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Memorial contributions may be made to Bone Marrow Transplant Nursing Education, New England Medical Center, care of Clare Sullivan, Nurse Manager, 750 Washington St., Boston, MA 02111; Lymphoma Research Foundation, 111 Broadway, 19th Floor, New York, NY 10006; or Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, Office of Donor Services, 1311 Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains, NY 10605.

Arrangements were by

Dewhirst & Conte Funeral Home, 28 Florence St., Andover.

Michael Magri

Was a career Army officer, military pilot

Michael Magri, 85, of Bunnell, Fla. and formerly of Andover and North Andover, died Thursday, Sept. 19 at Flagler Memorial Hospital in Bunnell.

He was born in Lawrence and educated in Lawrence public schools.

Mr. Magri was a career Army officer who retired at the rank of lieutenant colonel. He was a military pilot.

He was awarded the Air Medal for meritorious achievement in the Philippines during World War II; and was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for extraordinary achievement during the Korean War. During his career, he served his country in Japan and Europe, as well as the United States.

Members of his family include his wife of 56 years, Margaret (Stabile) Magri of Palm Coast, Fla.; son and daughter-in-law, Michael C. and Marna L. Magri of Watertown; brother, Joseph Magri of Haverhill; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was the father of the late Cheryl A. Magri.

Arrangements were by Pollard Funeral Home Inc. 233 Lawrence St., Methuen.

Sally G. O'Riordan

Punchard High graduate

Sally G. O'Riordan, 78, of Andover, died Saturday, Sept. 21 at Lawrence General Hospital.

She was born in Andover and was a graduate of Punchard High School and Charles Secretarial School in Boston.

Mrs. O'Riordan was a member of St. Augustine Church in Andover, where she served as an ecumenical minister.

She worked as a secretary for the Naval Research Laboratories in Washington, D.C., retiring in 1977. She was a member of the Shawheen Village Women's Club and the Andover Senior Citizens, where she was very active with volunteering.

Members of her family include her sisters, Katherine Moss Hussey of Andover and Joanne Morin of Santa Monica, Calif.; and several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Augustine's Church Building Fund, St. Augustine Church, 43 Essex St., Andover, 01810.

Arrangements were by Charles Dewhirst Andover Funeral Home, 33 Pearson St.

Burial was in St. Augustine's Cemetery, Andover.

Doris S. Brown

Born in Andover

Doris S. (Ferrier) Brown, 94, of North Andover, died Wednesday, Sept. 18, at Sutton Hill Center.

She was born in Andover. Mrs. Brown was a homemaker.

She was the widow of Edward B. Brown.

Members of her family include sisters, Helen Batchelder, Jessie Dunn and Barbara Demers, all of Andover; and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were by Charles F. Dewhirst Andover Funeral Home, 33 Pearson St., Andover. Burial was in Spring Grove Cemetery, Andover.

Irene M. Carraher

Taught accounting at Lawrence High for more than 30 years

Irene M. Carraher, 84, of Andover, died Tuesday, Sept. 17 at Academy Manor Nursing Home.

Mrs. Carraher taught accounting for more than 30 years at Lawrence High School until she retired.

Born and educated in Worcester, she graduated from Lawrence High School in 1936 and received her bachelor's degree in education from Salem State College in 1940, and later received a master's degree in business from Boston University.

She was a longtime resident of Hampton Beach, N.H., and most recently lived in Andover.

She was the treasurer of Lawrence Teachers Credit Union and a former cheerleader coach for Lawrence High School. An avid skier, she skied until she was in her 60s.

Members of her family include her sister, Clare Roberts; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to Lawrence High School Scholarship Fund, 100 Haverhill St., Lawrence, MA 01841.

Arrangements were by John Breen Memorial Funeral Home, 122 Amesbury St., Lawrence.

William R. Garrett

Professor of civil engineering at Merrimack College

William R. Garrett, 77, a resident of Shreveport, La. since 1991 and formerly of Andover, died Tuesday, Sept. 17, at Christus Schumper Health System.

He was born in Gibsland, La. and was a professor of civil engineering at Merrimack College in North Andover.

He was a member of the US Navy Seabees from 1944 to 1946. Mr. Garrett attended Louisiana Tech University from 1941 to 1943, was a graduate of Rice University in 1947, a graduate of Harvard University in 1951 and attended Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Members of his family include his brothers, Eugene Garrett and wife, Lillian, of Arcadia, La., and Crawford Garrett and wife, Shannon, of Shreveport, La.; and several nieces and nephews.

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Cynthia Packard, 41
Salbino Salvi, 85
Sybil Zulalian Wise, 67

DEATHS ELSEWHERE

BORON - Stanley J. Boron, 78, of Manchester, N.J., died Thursday, Sept. 19. Members of his family include his daughter, Eileen Boron and grandchildren, Matthew and Meghan Dowgiallo, all of Andover.

PACKARD - Cynthia (Page) Simone Packard, 41, of Salem, N.H., died Wednesday, Sept. 18 at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Brighton. Mrs. Packard was an administrative assistant for Vicor Corp. in Andover.

SALVI - Salbino Salvi, 85, of Lawrence, died Thursday

Sept. 19 at Prescott House Nursing Home in North Andover. Mr. Salvi retired as an inspector from Raytheon Co. in Andover.

LATE DEATH

CONLEY - Dora R. Conley, 94, of Andover, died Tuesday Sept. 24 at Academy Manor Nursing Home. Arrangements will be announced by Cataudella Funeral Home, 126 Pleasant Valley St., Methuen.

Memorial donations may be made to Centenary College Book Bazaar or Mt. Lebanon Historical Museum.

Sybil Wise

Taught at Pike School; memorial service Oct. 5

Sybil Zulalian Wise, 67, a former teacher at Pike School in Andover, died Saturday, Sept. 14, after a long illness.

She was born in Malden and later moved to Belmont with her family.

After graduation from Wheelock College in 1956, she taught school in South Norwalk, Conn. She moved to Northfield Mount Hermon School with her English teacher husband, Kelly Wise, in 1960, and on to Phillips Academy in Andover in 1966.

"While raising her own family in a dormitory, she welcomed hundreds of students, in the best tradition of boarding school life, into the warmth and joyfulness of her home, a refuge so many still hold dear," according to family members.

Friends, faculty, trustees and school visitors have been touched by her hospitality, sensitivity and grace, they added.

Also while at Phillips Academy, she served as administrative assistant in the music department from 1976 to 1980.

In 1980, she returned to her career at Pike, her family said, "where her extraordinary teaching skills and affection for children deeply touched many kindergarteners, parents, and colleagues." She retired in 1999.

Mr. and Mrs. Wise moved to their new home in Jamaica Plain in 2000.

Family members added that her remarkable strength was evident during her many months of acute illness under hospice care. She and her husband continued to welcome people into their home for memorable dinners.

Members of her family include her husband, K. Kelly Wise; children, Jocelyn Wise of Brookline, Adam Wise of Brookline, Lydia Cunningham and her husband, Anthony, of Stoneham; and one grandson, Julian Armand Stevens Wise.

Burial was in Spring Grove Cemetery, Andover.

Arrangements were by Burke Funeral Home of Andover.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, Oct. 5 at 2 p.m. at Cochran Chapel, Phillips Acad-

emy, Andover.

Memorial contributions may be made in Ms. Wise's memory to BIDEAC-Mark Huberman Research Fund in memory of Sybil Z. Wise and forwarded to the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, 330 Brookline Ave., Boston, MA 02215.

Frank J. Cuticchia

Owned taxi company in Lawrence

Frank J. Cuticchia of Sarasota, Fla. and formerly of Andover, died Friday, Sept. 6 at Sarasota Memorial Hospital.

Born in Lawrence, Mr. Cuticchia owned the Diamond Taxi in Lawrence, and more recently was employed at Phillips Academy.

He was the widower of Alice (Buckley) Cuticchia.

Members of his family include his wife of 18 years, Florence (Marcotte) Cuticchia of Sarasota; a daughter, Ann and her husband, John Kalil of Salisbury; several grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

He was also the father of the late Frances Laughner.

Memorial contributions may be made to The Sisters of Notre Dame, 30 Jeffrey Road, Ipswich, MA 01938.

Mattei event to be held tonight

Family and friends are gathering tonight, Thursday, Sept. 26 to remember Robert "Bob" Mattei of Andover, who died June 28. Mr. Mattei, 65, was the bar manager at the 99 Restaurant on Lowell Street in Andover since it opened some 30 years ago. He was a 30-year resident of Andover. The remembrance will be held from 7 to 11 p.m. at Lawrence Elks, 652 Andover St., Lawrence. Guests are invited to bring their favorite story or memory to share. RSVP to <inbobsmemory@aol.com>.

Walk/Run for Elders is Sunday

Older adults in Andover will benefit directly from Elder Services Walk/Run for Elders on Sunday, Sept. 29.

As a partner in the event, Andover Council on Aging will keep half of the funds they raise to benefit their programs and services at the Senior Center. The other half will benefit Elder Services Elder Care Fund, which last year provided emergency assistance for 15 Andover residents with household items, prescriptions, heavy cleaning, fuel and transportation.

Many others in town received in-home assistance. Meals on wheels is another event partner.

The Walk/Run is scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. rain or shine, through North Andover. Registration begins at 8:30. Music, entertainment, games, raffles.

Call the Council on Aging/Senior Center at 978-623-8321, and sign up to join in the fun while raising money to help local elders remain safe and independent in the community; or call Elder Services at 1-800-892-0890.

OBITUARIES

The *Townsmen* will publish obituaries of Andover residents without charge.

The paper also will publish without charge a short announcement of those people who died and did not live here, but are related to someone who lives in Andover. This listing will include the name of the deceased, where he or she lived, when he or she died, and names of relatives in Andover.

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Lauren Roda, an Andover native, has been selected as the 2002-2003 Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society member. Roda is a senior at Andover High School and is a member of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society. She is also a member of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society. She is also a member of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society.

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PARENTS ASK:

When, where are music lessons?

"It's a horrendous program, I agree, but we're doing the best that we can."

PAULINE SPARGES, RETIRED MUSIC TEACHER AND ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE AFTER-SCHOOL MUSIC PROGRAM

By Ben Hollman

Parents showed up for instrument pick-up night at West Elementary's cafeteria last week and there were far fewer than in previous years.

In fact, only 148 students have signed up for music lessons, compared with about 420 students listed in concert programs for elementary ensembles last year.

"The line usually goes out the door," said parent volunteer Jenny Macheras. The only line that formed Thursday night was the line of parents who were trying to figure out when and where their children would have music lessons.

Pauline Sparages, retired Bancroft music teacher and administrator for the after-school music program, was the first person parents saw at the sign up and many parents had complaints. Sparages made no excuses. "It's a horrendous program, I agree, but we're

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Andover parents say some string lessons are scheduled at the same time that the after-school string ensemble meets, which means there are music students who can't participate in the ensembles. This could foreshadow a cloudy future for groups such as the All-Town Orchestra (shown playing in a holiday concert last year).

FAME wants review of school music program

By Ben Hellman

With many parents complaining about the new, after-school elementary instrumental music program, Ellen Davidson, parent and representative of the Friends of Andover Music Education (FAME), requested at Tuesday night's School Committee meeting that Superintendent Claudia Bach and the School Committee review the program and report on it at their next meeting.

Reading from a letter that she supplied to the committee and Bach, Davidson asked what standard Bach and the committee would use to determine the success of the program. Davidson pointed out that Bach said she made the decision to cut the day-time music program to accommodate the state's time and learning regulations. She asked if the results of Bach's decision on the program supported Andover's values.

"Does the music program, as it is currently structured, give our children what we see as essential to a well-rounded education, over and above MCAS scores?" Davidson asked.

Bach distanced herself from

her time-and-learning argument when she suggested for the first time that her decision to move the program after-school was more than an educational decision. "We have a dollar for two dollars of need," she told the parents.

Committee member Gerry Gustus said he made his decision on money. "My vote last year was budgetary," he said to Davidson.

Member Dick Collins said he supported expanding the school day, but not disrupting classes for music lessons. "Don't tell me it doesn't impact them. You can't pull a couple of kids out of the math class," said Collins, also a longtime history teacher.

Davidson said that the long-term goal of FAME was to reinstate the in-school music program, but that the group would work with the current program.

Bach said that it could take longer than two weeks to respond to the music group's request. Gustus suggested that the review take the form of a workshop that would be handled at the beginning of a future meeting.

Sign up now for Cub Scout Pack 76

Cub Scout Pack 76, serving South Andover, is ready to blast off into another year of Cub Scouting. Scouts build Space Derby and Pinewood Derby cars, camp out in the woods and on the USS Salem, and hike trails and mountains. They take part in council-wide activities such as Tiger Cub Safari, Arrow of Light weekends, Webelos Woods, and Clippertown Construction Derby. Scouts show their community spirit with parades, caroling, and food drives. Pack 76 and the Andover Sportsman's Lodge invite parents and their sons (grades 1-5) to become part of Pack 76.

Cub Scouting combines fun with educational activities and life-long values. It also helps parents to help their boys strengthen character, develop good citizenship, and enhance both physical and mental fitness. Additionally, the program provides boys with positive peer groups and tools to shape their future.

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Applications for membership are still being accepted through Oct. 12. For more information, contact Inga Fuerst at 978-470-5089, or access Pack 76 on the Web at <home.atbi.com/~pack76-andover/index.html>



In the photo, Cub Scout Pack 76 observes Andover's Memorial Day.

Jennings: America reflects founders' ideals

■ INTERFAITH PROGRAM
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credit, but having been there when the Berlin Wall came down I couldn't help (but note) that faith and spirituality had made the difference for so many people," he said.

The two journalists joined 1,700 people at the chapel in listening as 10th-grade student "muezzin" Omar Siddiqi of Salem, N.H., called them to prayer to begin the service. The words *Allah akbar* — God is great — floated from a high balcony before the students, neighbors, faculty and parents. In Islam, a muezzin calls worshippers to prayer five times per day.

The audience listened to the soaring violins and cellos of the string orchestra. They heard a Catholic prayer, a Hebrew psalm, a Hindu passage, lines from the Quran and the school's gospel choir sing "I'm so glad they prayed for me."

But the highlight was Jennings and Brewster talking about their search for morality in America since the Sept. 11 terrorists attacks. Jennings, senior editor of *World News Tonight*, and Brewster had started the book before the attacks. The theme of the book connects what Americans believe today with the ideals of those who founded the country, like Thomas Jefferson and Benjamin Franklin. Jennings and Brewster said. The journey took them to "God's Country," the Bible Belt, a place where they were viewed with suspicion. At one point, Jennings said, he faced such resentment, he was not allowed in the church of a preacher he was profiling, because he worked for Disney, which owns ABC.

"There is a great shadow nation in America out there," Jennings said. "It could be down the street, for that matter, who are deeply resentful and



ABC News anchor Peter Jennings (right) and co-author Todd Brewster.

in some cases envious of those of you and us who either work for the media... who go to the elite educational establishments, as you and others do who are in the universities, who are intimidated by the power of and corruption — we all recognize of some of the country's great corporations." These people believe they have lost control and now cling to a narrow interpretation of the Bible. "Ninety-five percent of Americans say they believe in a god of some kind. And almost 50 percent of the people in the country describe themselves as 'born-again Christians,' in other words, believing the Bible in a very ritual way," Jennings said. He said that literal belief in the Bible comes as a shock to many who think of America as a free and open society open to many different points of view. Jennings and Brewster spoke about going to Aiken, S.C., where a school board was debating the teaching of creation science, in a reversal of the Scopes "Monkey Trial" of 1925. The trial was central in the debate about the teaching of evolution in the nation. It was broadcast nationally.

Jennings also acknowledged he was not from America as part of the

reason he is searching for America's roots. "I'm sometimes amazed how little history Americans know. I mean, I grew up in Canada so I'm legitimately ignorant," he said. Hundreds lined up after the Phillips' service to buy the book and get an autograph from Brewster and Jennings, whose wife, Kayce Freed, graduated from the first class of women at the academy in 1976. Outside, Siddiqi and other students said Jennings had taken the right tone.

"It meant a lot for me," Siddiqi said, "because after 9/11, Mr. Jennings was one of the most fair toward Muslims and the Islamic faith. Today I felt really good knowing that everybody in that chapel, everybody in this whole country, was so supportive of everybody. The Muslims and the Christians and Jews and the Hindus, we were all relating to each other today in the service."

"I liked his speech. I liked how he spoke kind of informal. I'm actually taking a journalism elective right now... It's really amazing to have people like him speak to us," said senior Priya Sridhar of Andover. "It was very sensitive toward America, toward post-9/11 feelings about faith and religion," said Phillips Academy senior Caroline "Boo" Littlefield of Hingham, the arts editor for the student newspaper, *The Phillipian*.

"I thought it was very relevant. I think the way he said it, people listened. I don't know if it will make that much of a difference," said senior Alex Colaizzi of Chicago.

"In terms of a search for morality, I think there is an incredible amount of morality in America," said senior Peter Stetson of Falmouth.

Neil Fater contributed to this story.

Extra teacher sought by parents of Bancroft kindergartners

By Ben Hellman

Parents of Bancroft kindergartners asked Superintendent Claudia Bach for an extra teacher to bring down the number of kindergarten students per classroom at the school at the School Committee meeting this week. At 21 and 22 students per classroom Bancroft has the largest kindergarten classes in town.

Deborah Sloan said the rooms were so crowded she was concerned about the children's safety. "There was nowhere to breathe in that classroom. (It's) frightening," she said.

Parents described classrooms so packed that kids were stepping on or bumping into each other.

"My daughter comes home with an injury almost every day," said Christine Erickson. Parents asked how much another teacher would cost and if Bach could hire someone. Bach said that the \$20,000 for a teacher to teach a half-day session was not possible.

She pointed to last spring's loss of the override of Proposition 2½ as the reason for large classrooms across the district.

Parents asked why they weren't informed how bad the situation would be before school started.

"Our numbers kept fluctuating," said Bach.

Responding to parents concerns that all-day kindergarten had contributed to the problem,

Bach said "The all-day kindergarten has not impacted this problem. In some ways, it helped."

Asked if teachers' aides could be redistributed in Bancroft, Bach said that Principal Scott Morrison was in charge of that. Sloan and others said they planned to continue working to get more coverage for the kindergarten classes with him.

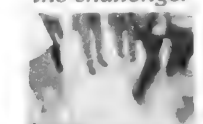
"If it takes our sitting in (Morrison's) room with (kindergarten teacher) Mrs. (Nancy) Sweeney, we will," said Sloan.

Bach suggested two weeks ago that Bancroft parents consider moving their kindergartners to Shawshen, which is underenrolled with 15.5 students per classroom.

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SCHOOL TALK

The Department of Community Services held registration for fall enrichment courses Wednesday, Sept. 18 at Doherty Middle School.

The program is held at South School from 3:30 to 5 p.m. and is open to students townwide. Specific days and course descriptions are available in the DCS booklet sent to all residents. Sign-ups after the registration date can be done by mail or by phone at 978-623-8274.

Call Elly Seavey, coordinator, at 978-475-3319.



At times, the Andover High Marching Band Camp felt like boot camp to these troopers.

PHOTO BY MINDA G. REID

Andover High School is welcoming 15 new marching band members this year. That is why during the summer band camp, the emphasis was on intensive drill work on how to walk with fellow band members. Once they knew how to do the "roll step," they were given an instrument and told to play music, remembering to walk in a specific pattern, in beat with the music.

Organizers said this will be child's play for the band, becoming routine for them, as

they proceed through the season.

Marching front and center this year will be seasoned band veterans Tom Valleau (flute) and Katrina Veidins (saxophone) as AHS Marching Band's drum majors. This honor is given to two seniors each year, as selected by Joe Wright, the band director. Drum majors lead the marching band during parades and competitions, maintaining the proper pace and tim-

ing, as well as provide overall leadership to the group as a whole.

The AHS Marching Band performs at all AHS football games, as well as various competitions in the fall.

They are also heard playing and marching in Andover's Santa Parade, as well as both Andover's and Tewksbury's Memorial Day parades.

Band parents invite the public to "come hear them play."

SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

Here's what's for lunch in the Andover public schools next week, Sept. 30-Oct. 4:

Elementary schools

Monday: Spaghetti and meat sauce, baked chicken nuggets, mozzarella sticks, chicken Caesar salad, salad with dressing, peaches and milk.

Tuesday: Baked meatloaf with mashed potato, chocolate chip pancakes, slice of pizza, corn, pears, chocolate cake with frosting, and milk.

Wednesday: Nachos with taco meat and cheese, baked chicken nuggets, pizza ring with marinara sauce, green beans, fresh fruit and milk.

Thursday: Meat-filled raviolis, french toast and sausage, mozzarella sticks with marinara sauce, carrots, peaches and milk.

Friday: Cheeseburger with potato puffs, baked chicken nuggets, slice of pizza, peas, applesauce and milk.

Doherty Middle School

Monday: Salisbury steak with gravy, baked chicken nuggets, meatball sub, mashed potato, peaches and milk.

Tuesday: Baked meatloaf with mashed potato, stuffed crust pizza, nachos with cheese sauce, corn, pears, chocolate cake with frosting, milk.

Wednesday: Meat-filled raviolis, cheeseburger with chips, baked chicken nuggets, green

beans, fresh fruit and milk.

Thursday: Chicken and gravy over rice, mozzarella sticks with marinara sauce, cheeseburger with potato puffs, carrots, peaches and milk.

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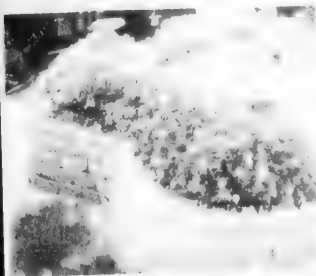
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Humanities and Sciences at Ithaca College. She had a minor in social work with a concentration in criminal justice. As president of the Student Alumni Association, she helped organize and run a regional leadership conference at Ithaca. She participated in numerous community service projects throughout her college career. Friedman will attend the University of Pennsylvania's MSW program this fall. A graduate of Andover High School, she is the daughter of retired Arthur Friedman of 5 Soneybrook Circle.

Gregory Jelson earned a bachelor's degree in biology from the University of Massachusetts. A graduate of Andover High School, Jelson lives at 39 Dasecomb Road.

Sarah Lentz graduated cum laude with a bachelor of science degree in psychology and speech and hearing disorders from the School of Health Sciences and Human Performance. She is a graduate of Andover High School and resides at 7 Granli Drive.

Adam Samler earned a bachelor of science degree in sociology from the University of Massachusetts. He had a concentration in criminal justice. A graduate of Andover High School, he is a resident of 7 Maple Ave.

The University of Delaware held its 25th commencement exercises May 25 in Delaware Stadium on its Newark campus.

Graduates included Jennifer Lynn Blongiewicz of 5 Midland Circle, who earned a bachelor of science degree.

Columbia University has announced the spring 2002 honorees of its annual awards to two undergraduate students. Columbia College and the Fu Foundation School of Engineering and Applied Science. This high academic honor is reserved to those who have a 3.5 index or higher.

Students include Matthew Rotman of 6 Shawnee Circle, Jeffrey Shyu of 6 Starr Avenue East, and Susan Wager of 6 Pinecrest Road.

Boston University awarded academic degrees to students this spring.

Receiving degrees were Andover residents Bonnie L. Brady, EdM in human resource education; Laura A.

Brown, BS in deaf studies; Matthew J. Cox, BS in childhood (elementary) education; Paul S. Elkind, MS in investment management, honors; Jessie A. Fontanella, BA in psychology, magna cum laude; Mehrdad Laghaian, MBA in business administration and management; Kevin L. Sepowitz, MBA in business administration and management.

Kerri L. Axelrod and George K. Lewis, 2002 graduates of Andover High School, were both accepted to American University in Washington, D.C., and are among the freshman class of 2006 this fall.

Classes began Monday, Aug. 26. Axelrod and Lewis are residents of Andover.

The New Hampshire Art Educators' Association announced Luci Prawdzik of 18 Avery Lane as the New Hampshire Art Educator of the Year. Prawdzik teaches at Peter Woodbury School in Bedford, N.H. This award is a highly coveted one among New Hampshire's many fine-art educators, organizers said.

Each applicant has to be nominated by someone who recognizes the nominee as one who is exemplary in many criteria areas and one who supports the NHAEA mission statement: "In order to promote quality art education in N.H., the New Hampshire Art Educators' Association will provide leadership, member services, art education advocacy, a format for communication and opportunities for professional development and participation."

In addition to a nominating letter and letters of support, nominated teachers need to demonstrate excellence in their teaching position, their educational philosophy, program initiation and depth, and art advocacy at the local school level, and state and national levels. Each nominating packet is reviewed for its completeness, professional presentation and additional documentation by a review committee.

Prawdzik will receive her award at a reception at the annual NHAEA Fall Conference, Friday, Oct. 18 at 5 p.m. in Fuller Hall at the New Hampshire Institute of Art, Manchester, N.H.

Prawdzik will also be recognized at the National Art Education Association's spring conference in Minneapolis, as well as at the EDies Awards next spring.



Fordy Sinkinson



Andrew Everett

Jennie Williams, 17, of Andover, spent two weeks as a Landmark Volunteer with Massachusetts' Trustees of Reservations Appleton Farms. Williams, the daughter of Karen and Kenneth Williams, is part of a 13-member Landmark Volunteers group that worked on farm chores such as harvesting hay, painting a dairy barn, removing brush, and building trails on this historic property.

Williams is in her senior year at Andover High School. An active member of her school community, Williams is a varsity football cheerleader and a varsity lacrosse goalie. She is also a member of the varsity alpine ski team, winner of the 2002 North Shore Ski League Championship. During that same season, Williams was named the No. 5 skier in the league. She is a member of the Bradford Ski Team.

Landmark Volunteers, based in Sheffield, is a non-profit service organization offering high school students and adults the opportunity to perform community service at one of sixty-five nationally recognized historical, cultural, and environmental, or social service institutions located throughout the country. Now in its eleventh year, Landmark Volunteers provides each host organization with an entire team of hard-working young people capable of accomplishing a great deal of much needed manual labor.

Kellie Wallace a first-year student at the College of the Holy Cross, has been named to the dean's list for the second semester of the 2001-02 academic year.

She is the daughter of Remick and Cathy Wallace of Andover. She majors in psychology.

Rebecca Sprattler, a freshman at Lasell College was placed on the

dean's list for exemplary academic performance for the spring 2002 semester.

Fordy Sinkinson, a graduate of Holderness School in Plymouth, N.H. is attending the University of Vermont in the fall.

Last year at Holderness, Sinkinson was named to the first-and second-quarter high honor rolls, and the third-and fourth-quarter honor rolls; served as a crew leader in the school's on-campus student jobs program; qualified for the 2002 Junior Olympics as a member of the Waterville-Holderness Eastern Alpine ski team; played on a varsity golf team that claimed a central New England prep school championship; and carried out a senior project that involved work toward SCUBA certification.

Fordy Sinkinson is the son of Mark and Anne Sinkinson of Andover.

Andrew Everett, a graduate of Holderness School in Plymouth, N.H.,

is attending Middlebury College in the fall.

Last year at Holderness, Everett was named to the honor roll for all four academic quarters; served as a floor leader in his dormitory; played on a boys' varsity soccer team that claimed a second consecutive New England prep school championship; played on a varsity golf team that won the central New England prep school championship; was captain of the Waterville-Holderness Eastern Alpine ski team; was winner of the Macomber Cup series in skiing, and qualified as well for the Junior Olympics; and carried out a senior project that involved building a food pantry for Whole Village, a charitable non-profit organization.

One of 121 secondary school educators representing 25 states, and an American school in Japan, Ruth Masters of Andover High School was selected to participate in July in an intensive, seven-day program at Har-

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Jose Otero, captain of the Central Catholic High School basketball team, a 2002 graduate of Central Catholic, and longtime member of the Lawrence Boys Club, has been named a Paul Cronin Scholar. In the photo, he accepts a \$1,500 award to assist with college expenses from John Cronin, representing the Paul W. Cronin Trust. Also attending the award ceremony is Steve Kelley (right), associate director of the Lawrence Boys & Girls Club. Paul Cronin Scholars are selected based on leadership qualities, academic merit, financial need, and commitment to community, including a willingness to stay active and contribute to the greater Lawrence community in the future. The trust was established by Cronin's brother, the late Congressman Paul Cronin from Andover, who graduated from Central in 1955, was a member of the Boys Club Hall of Fame, and a longtime member of the club's board of directors.

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RUTH MASTERS

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Each participant in the Institute was awarded a full-tuition scholarship.

Masters, along with her husband Howard and their children Samuel and Rebecca, is a resident of Lynnfield.

Andover resident Ellen Keith has been named to the dean's list for the spring 2002 semester at Stonehill College.

1st Lt. John D. Jordan, USMC, recently received his gold wings from the Naval Aviation Schools Command.

He will be flying CH-46E helicopters, first out of Camp Pendleton, Calif., and then at his permanent duty station MCAS Funtana on Okinawa.

Jordan graduated from Andover High School in 1996. His parents are Robert and Maryann Jordan.

Linda M. Gostanian received a juris doctor degree magna cum laude from New England School of Law during commencement exercises at the Wang Center for the Performing Arts on May 24.

Gostanian will be a law clerk in the Massachusetts Superior Court in 2002-03. She and her husband, Rob Gostanian, live in Andover with their three sons.

A graduate of the University of Massachusetts Amherst, she has a master's degree from Cornell University. She plans to take the Massachusetts bar examination.

While in law school, she was a staff member of the New England Law Review and served an internship in the US Attorney's Office in Boston. She was also a law clerk at Lawrence District Court and United States District Court in Concord, N.H.

Students completed requirements for degrees at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn. during the past year. Those degrees were conferred during the May 10 commencement exercises, which marked the completion of the 126th year of classes at Vanderbilt.

Abbey Kate Goldstein, daughter of Gary and Janice Goldstein of Andover, received a bachelor of arts degree, magna cum laude. Goldstein majored in Spanish, and did interdisciplinary work in public policy studies.

Goldstein was also named to the dean's list for the spring semester.

Tara Flanagan of Michael Way has been named to the dean's list for the spring semester of 2002 at Westfield State College.

Flanagan is a 2001 graduate of Andover High, and is working toward a degree in childhood education.

She also has been accepted as a residence assistant for the 2002-03 school year at Westfield State.



Tara Flanagan

Robert Filbin, son of John and Carol Filbin, is a recipient of the dean's award for academic excellence during the spring 2002 semester at Colgate University in Hamilton, N.Y., where he is a member of the class of 2005. To be eligible for the dean's award, a Colgate student must achieve a 3.30 or higher average while carrying a full course load of four courses per semester.

A 2001 graduate of Andover High School, Filbin was a member of the varsity crew team freshman year.

The University of Delaware has announced its dean's list for the spring 2002 semester.

The students included Corey Mark Dennis, a freshman in the College of Arts and Sciences. Dennis is a resident of 9 Belle-Haven Drive.

Named to the dean's list are full-time students with grade-point aver-

ages of 3.33 or above (on a 4.0 scale) for the semester, with no temporary grades.

As part of the 2002 Williams College graduation ceremonies, 43 seniors were inducted into Phi Beta Kappa on Saturday, June 1. The students were nominated to membership based on their class standing at the end of their senior year. The new inductees from Andover include Rachel Emily Brodie, a biology major.

Marquette University has announced the names of students who qualified for the dean's list for the spring term in May. Students include Scott C. Bower of 18 Cheever Circle, from the College of Engineering.

Patricia (Trish) Delude, 18, of Andover, spent two weeks as a Landmark Volunteer in Acadia National Park. Delude, daughter of Cathryn and David Delude, was part of a 12-member Landmark Volunteers group that did manual labor such as restoring scenic vistas and trails and re-landscaping carriage roads.

The group lived in the scenic village of Northeast Harbor.

Delude is entering her senior year at Lawrence Academy in Groton. A dedicated volunteer, she has previously contributed in a number of different capacities, providing service to the following: a day care center, the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Head Start, a facility for mentally handicapped adults, trail maintenance in Colorado, and community service on a Navajo reservation in Arizona.

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Trish Delude

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Sports



Andover Capt. Jason White (33) leads his team through the gauntlet of cheerleaders and bursts through a spirit banner as the Golden Warriors take the field prior to their game with first-time opponent Wachusett Regional of Holden.

FOOTBALL

Warrior offense sputters, 10-7

By Rick Harrison

Unable to capitalize on a golden scoring opportunity in the fourth quarter, the Andover High varsity football team dropped a tough defeat to first-time opponent Wachusett Regional of Holden.

The Warriors' offense sputtered in the fourth quarter, unable to capitalize on a golden scoring opportunity in the fourth quarter, the Andover High varsity football team dropped a tough defeat to first-time opponent Wachusett Regional of Holden.

to play Andover marched to the Wachusett nine before turning the ball over on a fumble.

With less than two minutes remaining the Golden Warriors (0-2) took over at the visitors' 13 yard line after Wachusett apparently trying to quickkick on third down, watched the play as the punter panicked and threw an errant lateral into a group of players.

After moving the ball only three yards on three plays, Andover tried to tie the game with a field goal but the 27-yard boot sailed wide.

Trailing 3-0 at the half, the young and inexperienced locals scored their first points of the season in the third quarter when sophomore Nathaniel Wiech knifed over from five yards out and placekicker Joel Keefe boot- ed the conversion.

That put the locals ahead 7-3 — but the advantage was short-lived.



Andover officials, including athletic director Jim Hurley (second from right, bending over) and head coach Ken Maglio (left, foreground), attend to fallen sophomore guard-linebacker Matt Quinlan, who was put on a stretcher by paramedics after he suffered a broken leg. Quinlan's father Peter was a football standout at Holy Cross.

Wachusett (2-0) countered late in the third period on a one-yard plunge by Chris Bashaw, which turned out to be the winning touchdown.

Dustin Hill, whose 32 yard field goal had given Wachusett its slim 3-0 lead in the second quarter, added the extra point to cap the scoring.

Hennessy now has 288 yards rushing on 25 carries (11.5 ave.) in two games.

Defensive standouts by Andover included senior nose guard Jordan Thibault

◀ **Sophomore fullback Nathan Wiech (40), who scored the lone Andover touchdown on a 5 yard run in the third quarter, is wrapped up by Wachusett defensive end Dan Hitch (88) as Matt Borseth (2) circles towards the play.**

and senior linebacker Greg Hartwell, who finished with 10 tackles each.

Nick Stamas contributed nine stops and a fumble recovery, while making six tackles apiece were sophomore cornerback John Fox, senior linebacker Jason White and junior lineman Phil Perkins.

Things don't get any easier tomorrow night when Andover travels to Methuen to battle the Rangers under the lights at Nicholson Stadium. Kickoff is 7 p.m.

The Rangers (1-0) blasted Greater Lawrence Tech, 35-6, in their season opener two weeks ago and were idle last weekend.

AHS has beaten Methuen four straight years, including 26-20 last fall, and owns a 12-9 series edge since 1981.

GAME SUMMARY

WACHUSETT REGIONAL 10, ANDOVER 7				
at Lovely Field				
Wachusett Regional	0	3	7	0
Andover	0	0	7	0
First Quarter				
No scoring				
Second Quarter				
WR: Dustin Hill 32 field goal				
Third Quarter				
A: Nathan Wiech 5 run (Joel Keefe kick)				
WR: Chns Bashaw 1 run (Hill kick)				
Fourth Quarter				
No scoring				
TEAM STATISTICS				
First Downs: Andover 9, Wachusett Regional 11				
Rushes/Yards: Andover 35-273, Wachusett Regional 41-137				
Passing: Andover 0-3-0, Wachusett Regional 3-9-0, 63 yards				
Total Yards: Andover 273, Wachusett Regional 200				
Fumbles/Lost: Andover 3-2, Wachusett Regional 1-1				
Punts/Ave: Andover 1-25				
Penalties/Yards: Andover 2-15, Wachusett Regional 2-25				
Records: Andover 0-2, Wachusett Regional 2-0				
INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS				
Rushing: A: Matt Hennessy 18-241, Jason White 4-16, Buddy Farnham 5-11, Nathan Wiech 2-6, TD: Logan Maggio 1-3, Brent Hyde 5-(-4)				
Passing: A: Brent Hyde 0-2-0, Matt Hennessy 0-1-0				
Receiving: A: None				
Fumble Recoveries: A: Nick Stamas 1				
Interceptions: A: None				
Tackles: A: Jordan Thibault 10, Greg Hartwell 10, Nick Stamas 9, John Fox 6, Jason White 6, Phil Perkins 6, Russell Stevens 5, Buddy Farnham 4, Nathan Wiech 4				

AHS Roundup

Harvest of champions

By Rick Harrison

Consistent performances by the Andover High varsity girls soccer, girls swim and dive, golf and field hockey teams have each looking like potential Merrimack Valley Conference champions this fall.

GOLF

The defending Merrimack Valley Conference champion Andover High golf team improved to 5-2-1 overall, rolling to lopsided wins over Chelmsford (247 to 263), Tewksbury (199-212) and Dracut (195-229) while also battling to a tie with Haverhill and suffering its first two losses to Lowell, 238-252, and Central Catholic, 240-254 in a series of recent matches.

Schedule

The locals return to the links this afternoon, hosting Chelmsford, and tomorrow Andover has a first-place showdown with undefeated Central Catholic (3:30 p.m. matches).

Central Catholic 240 Andover 254

The undefeated Raiders (8-0) showed why they are leading the MVC, registering a 14-stroke victory over AHS on the Golden Warriors' home Indian Ridge CC track Tuesday afternoon.

Capt. Brian Alberico was low man for the locals with a three-over 39, while Capt. Andy Haak carded a 40.

Also playing well were Jon Shaw (42), Jason Edelstein (43), sophomore Jon Yost (44) and Andy Santos (46).

Luis Mancini of CCHS was the overall medalist with a 37, while the visitors had other strong rounds from Rob Fraser (39) and Eric Boucher (40).

Andover 195 Dracut 229

Overall medalist Brian Alberico shot one-over 37 to power the locals to a convincing 34-stroke victory at Hickory Hill GC in Methuen.

Also figuring in the team scoring were senior Chris Kaminski (38), Capt. Andy Haak (39), senior Andy Santos

(40) and junior Jason Edelstein (41). Jon Shaw also played well with a 43.

Andover 199 Tewksbury 212

Brian Alberico and Andrew Santos shared low honors for AHS as both carded even-par 36 scores in the match at Indian Ridge CC.

Others who led the way for the Golden Warriors were Andy Haak with a 41, Jason Edelstein 42 and senior Jeremy Cohen 44.

The overall medalist, for the sixth time in eight matches, was Tewksbury standout Shawn Scott who fashioned a one-under 35.

Earlier Matches Andover 247 Chelmsford 263

Brian Alberico was the overall medalist against Chelmsford (2-3), finishing an even-par 36 at Indian Ridge Country Club.

Andy Haak followed with a 40, while also figuring in the team stroke total were freshman Jon Derby with a 42, Jeremy Cohen 42 and Andy Santos 43.

The Golden Warriors listed junior Jason Edelstein, Jon Shaw and Shawn Furey at 44, with one of those rounds used to complete the AHS scoring.

Lowell 238 Andover 252

The Red Raiders, who lost to Andover by four strokes at Indian Ridge CC earlier this season, rolled to a convincing victory in the quick rematch on their home turf at Mt. Pleasant GC.

Andy Haak was team medalist for AHS with a two-over 38 and Brian Alberico also played well with a 39.

Jim Mullen took overall medalist honors for Lowell with a 37 and Joe Miller carded a 41.

GIRLS SOCCER

Jenny Muller scored the only goal necessary less than three minutes into the second half, and sophomore sniper Jackie Powers followed with a pair of goals.

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AHS ROUNDUP

GIRLS SOCCER

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insurance tallies, as the Andover High girls varsity soccer team highlighted the week with an impressive 3-0 non-league win over Bishop Fenwick of Peabody at Lovely Field.

The triumph avenged a 4-2 loss to the Lady Crusaders last fall, and came on the heels of a 9-1 Merrimack Valley Conference romp over Haverhill.

AHS also pounded past winless Notre Dame Academy of Tyngsboro, 6-0, in a Tuesday afternoon road game.

The Lady Warriors are 5-0-1 overall, 3-0-1 in MVC play and have outscored their six opponents by a wide 27-4 margin.

Schedule

Andover hosts Dracut this afternoon (3:30 p.m.) and entertains nationally-ranked Notre Dame Academy of Hingham Saturday night at Lovely Field (6:30 p.m.).

NDA-Hingham, which knocked Andover out of last year's tourney with a 1-0 victory in the state semifinals before losing to Wachusett Regional of Holden in the title game, is also undefeated at 5-0-1.

The powerful visitors, who also beat AHS 3-1 and 5-1 during the regular season, finished last year 19-1-3 overall and ranked No. 7 in New England.

Youth Soccer Night

The annual Andover Youth Soccer Association Night is scheduled for next Thursday, Oct. 3 at Lovely Field.

Youth soccer players who wear their uniform shirt, and are accompanied by an adult, will be admitted to the AHS doubleheader free of charge.

The Andover girls will play Chelmsford, coached by former Lady Warriors' star player Anne Murane, at 5 p.m. and the Andover boys battle Central Catholic in the nightcap at 7 p.m.

Scoring leaders

Jackie Powers tops the point parade with eight goals and three assists through six games, while Jenny Muller has four goals and three assists.

Emily Pallotta, Allison Kerivan and Ashley Faulk all have three goals and three assists.

Andover 9

Haverhill 1

Jackie Powers and Ashley Faulk led seven Lady Warriors into the goalscoring column, as AHS produced its biggest single-game outburst since a 10-0 romp over Lowell on Oct. 10, 2000.

The winners established superiority early, as Jenny Muller scored 2:30 into the game and Megan Charlebois made it 2-0 on a penalty kick before the contest was six minutes old.

Adding a goal each for Andover, which led

5-1 at the half, were Emily Pallotta, Allison Kerivan and Emily Gentle.

Faulk completed a four-point afternoon with two assists while Muller, Kerivan, Gentle, Layal Hanna, Samatha Hughes and Lindsay Mann each set up a goal.

"Haverhill is still building its program," said coach Loschi, "and we took advantage of that with this scoring barrage. We were able to use a lot of players and rest some of the starters."

"We weren't taking out any frustrations from the tie against Tewksbury. Our focus was on getting our (pre-Tewksbury) mind-set back."

Junior defender Megan Finn was the only Lady Warrior to play the whole game, as she and sophomore midfielder Brittany Moriarty were lauded by Loschi for their aggressive performance.

Arianna Miliotis played the first half in net and made three saves, while Brooke Torre blanked the Hillies over the final 40 minutes and stopped two shots.

Haverhill has been overmatched against Andover for some time, surrendering eight goals to the locals two years ago and seven last fall.

Andover 3

Bishop Fenwick 0

Capt. Jenny Muller, fighting through double and triple teams in almost every game, scored on a head ball off a corner kick by senior defender Jackie Alexander at 2:42 of the final half to break a 0-0 deadlock.

Jackie Powers followed with her sixth and seventh goals of the season at 11:54 and 29:25, both the result of aggressive, hustling plays by Powers and set-up people Muller and Lindsey Timko.

"It was a very competitive game from start to finish," said AHS head coach Dick Loschi. "Fenwick is slightly weaker than last year — but this was still a very good win for us."

Keepers Brooke Torre and Micaela Smith combined for their second shutout, the former with five saves in the first 60 minutes and the latter two stops in the final 20 minutes.

Loschi also praised the efforts of sweeper and Capt. Julia Gatti, midfielder Sloan McCauley and forward Allison Kerivan.

Andover 6

Notre Dame Academy 0

Six players pumped in a goal each as the Lady Warriors cruised to the comfortable win.

Freshman midfielder Emily Pallotta launched the attack with an unassisted goal (her third) at 11:30 of the first half. It was an impressive individual effort, as Pallotta dribbled around several NDA defenders before firing a shot past beleaguered Lancers' goalkeeper Laura Parquette (21 shots, 15 saves).

Less than two minutes later Capt. Meghan Charlebois notched her second goal of the season, also unassisted, before Allison Kerivan (from Jenny Muller) and Erica Weeks (Jackie Alexander) boosted the lead to 4-0 at the half.

Jackie Powers produced her team-high eighth goal at 4:59 of the second half, with the setup to Pallotta, and Powers assisted on Sloan McCauley's first goal at 12:52 to cap the offense. McCauley left no doubt with a sizzling, unstoppable 20-yard bullet.

Three keepers shared the team's third shutout as Arianna Miliotis (25 minutes), Brooke Torre (25 minutes) and Micaela Smith (30 minutes) were required to make only three saves.

Coach Loschi lauded the play of midfielder Lindsay Mann, forward Lindsey Timko and junior defenders Jeanne Lothrop and Mallory Jaracz.

GIRLS SWIM & DIVE

Junior Liz Mancuso placed first in two individual events, and swam on a pair of victorious relays, as the three-time reigning state champion Andover High girls swim and dive team continued to make it look easy with a comfortable 95-80 non-league dual-meet win over host Belmont. The Lady Warriors placed first in 11 of the 12 events, producing 13 more state-cut and six additional sectional-cut times and point totals (diving).

The triumph, along with Merrimack Valley Conference victories over Lawrence (51-31) and Billerica (100-78), boosted coach Marilyn Fitzgerald's juggernaut to 4-0 this season.

AHS has now won 41 straight dual meets

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AHS ROUNDUP

GIRLS SWIM & DIVE

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since a 100-83 loss to Chelmsford on Oct. 30, 1998.

The locals have also captured 50 of their last 62 meets and are 88-24 over the past 14 seasons with Fitzgerald.

"The state and sectional cuts keep piling up and we haven't come close to putting our strongest lineup together for a meet," said Fitzgerald. "We probably won't do that until the big showdown with Acton-Boxboro (Oct. 3)."

Connie Brown Watch

The multi-talented, versatile and beautiful, recruited AHS superstar, who performed well against Belmont despite being a little under the weather, makes her first official sanctioned college visit this weekend when she travels to the University of Maryland.

The University of Texas coach was tracking Brown in person at the Belmont and Lawrence meets, and Connie

ACBL registering

The Andover Church Basketball League is currently holding registration for children in grades 4 through 8. Registration forms are available at various town churches, the Andover Hockey Shop in Shawheen Square and at Memorial Hall Library. The deadline for registering is Sunday, Oct. 6. The fee is \$40.

The ACBL has six separate divisions for boys and girls. They are Junior (4th grade), Intermediate (5th-6th grade) and Senior (7th-8th grade). Games are played on Saturday from noon to 6 p.m. at the Andover High Field House beginning Dec. 1.

Practice and games start Monday, Nov. 4.

will visit the Lone Star state next week-end.

Schedule

Andover competes against Dracut tomorrow afternoon at the Lowell High pool, and hosts Lowell next Tuesday at the Greater Lawrence Vo-Tech pool (3-30).

Andover 95 Belmont 80

Dominating from first stroke to final touch, the Lady Warriors followed the lead of Liz Mancuso who won the 50-yard sprint free in a state-cut 25.35 seconds and the 100 free in a state-cut 56.73.

She also swam the anchor leg on the 200 medley relay, joining Capt. Connie Brown, Candice Peak and Amy Caron for a solid 1:52.91 time.

Capt. Holly Hinds, Carolyn Cody and Caitlin Geary followed Mancuso on the winning 200 free relay (1:44.96).

Capturing one race each were Geary (200 free, state-cut 1:58.85), Brown (200 IM, 2:07.79), freshman sensation Caitlin Doherty (100 butterfly, 1:00.28), Lauren Harlow (500 free, state-cut 5:19.89) and Hinds with a personal-best 1:10.16 in the 100 breaststroke.

Sophomore Ann Marie Cashman placed first in the one meter diving, registering her first state-cut point total of 194.89.

Completing the winners was the 400 free relay of Lauren Harlow, Doherty, Hinds and Geary (3:51.95).

Freshman sensation Peak placed second in the 100 backstroke, her 1:04.13 trailing only Belmont elite swimmer Brittany Sasso who touched in a swift 58.76.

Peak added another second in the 100 free (sectional-cut 58.44), while

other runners-up were Lauren Harlow (200 free, state-cut 2:00.81), Hinds (200 IM, 2:11.15), Doherty (50 free, state-cut 25.87), Geary (100 fly, sectional-cut 1:04.38), Caitlin Hamer (500 free, state-cut 5:26.83) and Caron (100 breast, state-cut 1:12.09).

AHS took second in the 200 free relay with Caron, Courtney Hamer, Jackie Leahy and Jamie Kapelson (1:52.45), and placed second in the 400 free relay behind Kapelson, Cody, Peak and Caitlin Hamer (4:01.05).

Finishing 3-4 in the diving, both with their first sectional-cut point totals, were sophomore Libby Fortier (170.24) and freshman Jen McDonald (161.75).

Completing top-three sweeps were Diana Harlow in the 200 IM (state-cut 2:18.56), Cody (50 free, 27.59) and Courtney Hamer (100 free, 1:01.00).

Also third were Diana Harlow (100 back, state-cut 1:04.34), and the 200 medley relay of Lauren and Diana Harlow, Doherty and Cody (2:00.44).

Fourth-place finishers included Leahy (200 free, 2:11.65), Kapelson (500 free, sectional-cut 5:41.77) and Monika Eghbalian (100 breast, 1:17.55).

Notching fifths were Liz Pallotta (100 fly, 1:08.64) and Caitlin Hamer in the ultra-competitive 100 back (sectional-cut 1:09.54).

Andover 51 Lawrence 31

Strong swims by sophomore Caitlin Carpentier in the 500-yard free, Rita Gillan in the 200 free and Capt. Jen Borden in the 100 butterfly sparked the Lady Warriors past Lawrence in their dual meet at the Lawrence YWCA pool.

The score was low because the 'Y' has a four-lane pool and most meets are contested over six lanes. There was also

no one-meter diving.

Andover placed 1-2 in 10 of the 11 events and had a double win from junior Phuonghu Nguyen in the 50 free (28.59) sprint and 100 free (1:06.56).

She also joined sophomore Tracey O'Malley, junior Lydia Alovissetti and sophomore Monica Chung on the victorious 200 medley relay (2:15.47).

Borden touched first in the 100 fly (1:12.53) and Carpentier in the 500 free (6:22.81) in personal-best times.

Other individual winners were freshman syncher Rita Gillan in the 200 free (2:25.59), sophomore Amanda Kaminski in the 200 IM (2:42.72) and O'Malley in the 100 breaststroke (1:27.65).

O'Malley, Chung, sophomore Lauren Grobicki and Carpentier won the 200 free relay (2:00.03), while first in the 400 free relay was the team of Carpentier, Borden, Gillan and Chrissy Caselle (4:39.13).

Chung had a pair of seconds in the 50 free (29.61) and 100 fly (1:23.85).

Other runners-up were Caselle (200 free, 2:32.09), Alovissetti (200 IM, 2:51.16), freshman Amy Kasparian (100 free, 1:23.87), Grobicki (500 free, 6:41.42) and Kaminski (100 breast, 1:30.97).

Runner-up by a fraction of a second in the 200 medley relay was the team of Grobicki, Kaminski, Borden and Carpentier (2:15.68) while Gillan, Borden, Caselle and Kaminski finished second in the 200 free relay (2:07.28).

Completing the scoring was the runner-up 400 free relay of Alovissetti, Grobicki, Kasparian and Nguyen (5:00.53).

Andover 100 Billerica 78

It was more of the same against the Indians as AHS took first in 11 of 12

events, swept five and racked up nine more state cuts and six additional sectional cuts.

"Three of our freshmen were outstanding again," said coach Fitzgerald. "Jen McDonald continues to compete with a lot of guts, while Caitlin Doherty and Candice Peak have shown they both are the Real Deal."

Connie Brown was the lone double winner as she touched first in the 50-yard free, with a state-cut 24.81-second time, and the 100 backstroke with a state-cut 59.57.

Brown, the defending state champ in the 100 back with a best time that is less than a second off the existing National high school record, has already earned state cuts in seven different individual events this season.

Other individual firsts went to Peak in the 200 free (state-cut 2:00.40), Doherty (500 free, state-cut 5:16.44), Amy Caron (200 IM, state-cut 2:18.90), Holly Hinds (100 fly, state-cut 1:01.07) and Caitlin Geary (100 breaststroke, sectional-cut 1:15.53).

The slickest relay of the season was the "Caitlin 200 Free" as Caitlin Geary, Caitlin Carpentier, Caitlin Hamer and Caitlin Doherty swam a leg each and won the race in 1:50.10.

"The four Caitlins asked if they could do it and I couldn't think of any reason not to," said Fitzgerald.

The 200 medley relay was won by Brown, Caron, Hinds and Doherty (1:54.99), while tops in the 400 free relay was the team of Liz Mancuso, Diana Harlow, Peak and Lauren Harlow (3:52.00).

Andover one-meter divers placed second with freshman Michelle Guy (140.17 points), third with sophomore

Andrea Coiro (134.32) and fifth with junior Jackie Maye (107.47 points).

Adding a second place each were Diana Harlow in the 200 free (sectional-cut 2:06.37), Jackie Leahy in the 200 IM (sectional-cut 2:27.44), Capt. Monika Eghbalian in the 100 fly (sectional-cut 1:07.72), Mancuso in the 500 free (state-cut 5:23.29), Lauren Harlow in the 100 back (state-cut 1:05.06) and Dana Medaglio in the 100 breast (1:18.87).

"Liz Mancuso usually swims the sprint frees for us so this was a big change of pace and a terrific time (in the 500)," said Fitzgerald.

The second-place 200 medley relay included Matia Kostakis, Jamie Kapelson, Liz Pallotta and Jen McDonald (2:08.97), while runner-up in the 400 free relay was the foursome of Caitlin Hamer, sophomore Amanda Saunders, Caron and Kapelson (4:07.56).

Completing event sweeps with third places were Saunders (200 free, 2:13.94), Courtney Hamer (200 IM, 2:33.22), Christina Casey (100 fly, sectional-cut 1:07.59) and Kostakis (100 back, sectional-cut 1:09.72).

Also third were Phuonghu Nguyen (50 free, 28.90) and McDonald (100 free, 1:00.63).

Third-place relays were the 200 free crew of Amanda Kaminski, Kapelson, Leahy and Eghbalian (1:56.69Z) and 400 freestylers Rita Gillan, Tracey O'Malley, Nguyen and Kaminski (4:25.50).

Capt. Jen Borden was fifth in the 50 free (30.10), Liz Pallotta fourth in the 100 free (1:02.87), Casey fourth in the 100 breast (1:25.78) and Chrissy Caselle sixth in the 500 free (6:38.56).

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Arts & Entertainment

EVENTS CALENDAR

Thursday, September 26

Talk, author/photographer, John Suiter discusses his book *Poets on the Peak*, Gary Snyder, Philip Whalen & Jack Kerouac in North Cascades, talk includes slides, free, 7:30 p.m., Andover Bookstore, 89 Main St.; 978-475-0143.

Fashion show, fundraiser, all proceeds benefit SuitAbility, providing interview/work clothing to low-income women, \$25, 7 p.m., Lowell Elks, Old Ferry Road, Lowell; 978-934-8898.

Storytellers, storyteller night, free, 8-10 p.m., Crescent Dragon Gallery Cafe, 59 Washington St., Haverhill; 978-372-5441. <www.crescentdragon.com>.

Friday, September 27

Storytelling, young local storytellers, free, 7 p.m., Andover Bookstore, 89 Main St.; 978-475-0143.

Live comedy, Kevin Knox, Dave Greenberg, Troy Diamond, \$12, 9:30 p.m., Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, North Andover; 781-938-8088.

Live comedy, Chance Langton, Larry Myles, Dave Rattigan, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m., call for prices, Comedy Palace at the Grill 93, River Road; 1-888-TO-LAUGH.

Live music, with Jeffrey Foucault,

<www.essexheritage.org>.

Book signing, local author Kathleen Doble will sign copies of her young adult novel, *Bridging Beyond*, free, 11 a.m.-noon, Andover Bookstore, 89 Main St.; 978-475-0143.

Worship and music, SouthWinds fall program, music by the Phillips Academy Faculty Jazz Band, worship service will explore issues around finding spiritual time for oneself, 5 p.m., South Church.

Casino night, Family Services Inc. has planned a Casino Night at the Lanam Club, hosted by friends of the Lanam Club, proceeds benefit Family Services, food, entertainment and casino, \$85 per person, 7-11 p.m., Lanam Club, 260 Main St., for more information and tickets contact the Lanam Club; 978-475-5210.

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Religious class, one day, non-credit class, Toward Understanding Islam, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Northern Essex Community College, Haverhill; 978-556-3800.

Films, animation and film shorts with film commentator David Kleiler, \$8, 8 p.m., Wingate Theatre, 45 Wingate St., Haverhill; 978-521-7664.

Live music, with Ed Jurdi, \$8, 8 p.m., Crescent Dragon Gallery Cafe, 59 Washington St., Haverhill; 978-372-5441. <www.crescentdragon.com>.

Chamber music concert, North Shore Chamber Music Ensemble, Eden's Edge, \$18, 8 p.m. meet the artists reception will be held following concert, King Hooper Mansion, 8 Hooper St., Marblehead, <www.edensedge.homestead.com>.

Theatre, *Le Grand David*, magic company, 3 p.m., \$15 adults, \$10 children 11 and younger, Cabot Street Cinema Theatre, Beverly; 978-927-3677.

Museum the Whistler House Museum of Art, Whistler in Bloom Weekend, floral arrangements inspired by the art collection, admission \$12 with reservations, \$15 at the door, preview reception donation \$50, 7-9 p.m., 243 Worthen St., Lowell; 978-452-7642.

Terezin: Children of the Holocaust, 2 p.m., and 7:30 p.m., see Sept. 27 entry.

Sunday, September 29

Live music, sponsored by Phillips Academy music and the Chinese departments and Andover Chinese Cultural Outreach, *Music of the Silk Road*, Xu Ke will play the erhu and be accompanied by Edward Arron, cello; Li Wang, piano; and Liqun Li on the yangqin, free, 3 p.m., Phillips Academy's Cochran Chapel, Chapel Avenue; 978-749-4995.

Worship, *A Harvest Celebration*, worship, food and fellowship, 10:30 a.m., Brookridge Community Church, 16 Haverhill St.; 978-749-3640.

Social gathering, new member coffee, hosted by the Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel, learn more about the Sisterhood, you need not be a member of the Temple to join, free, 9:30-11 a.m., Temple Emanuel, 7 Haggets Pond; 978-470-1356.

Walk/Run for Elders, 5.5 miles or 2 mile walk or 5K run, beginning and ending at Elders' Services,

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Dancer Shelley Senter demonstrates how she will slide in and out of clothing woven through ropes strung about four feet off the ground in a re-creation of Brown's dance *Floor of the Forest*.

Testing the ropes: Trisha Brown exhibit is an experiment in dance

By Rebecca Piro

The Trisha Brown exhibit, opening this weekend at the Addison Gallery, seems at once to be both an ongoing experiment and a compilation of the seasoned dancer's work, spanning the past 40 years.

The exhibit sprawls through the entire second floor of the Phillips Academy gallery. Every corner, every wall is used — yet there's nothing that feels final or complete about it. *Trisha Brown: Dance and Art in Dialogue* opens Friday. The reception is scheduled for that evening, from 5:30 to 7:30. A modern dancer who has been spinning the concept of traditional dance upside down for years, Brown is constantly merging new art with body movements and motion. A walk through the gallery proves how unusual her idea of dance can be.

Floor of the Forest is a performance that poses its dancers mid-air, without a toe touching the ground. Phillips Academy students, who will be trained this week by Brown's own dancers, will take to ropes strung across a four-foot-tall contraption, and climb over and around the grid that the ropes form.

In other examples, Brown takes physical art works, created by artists she collaborates with,

and turns them into sets for stages on which her dancers perform. The dances she creates are based on the idea that everyday movement is a dance itself; dance doesn't require pointed toes or fluid limbs.

The exhibit recalls many of Brown's dances, as there is videotape in every room, and an entire room is set aside for audiences to view film of past dances in their entirety.

Other rooms are used to recreate past performances, such as Brown's *Opal Loop*. In this re-creation, a machine expels white clouds of air — creating a vertical sheet of fog — on which a film of the actual dance is projected. For that dance, Brown originally collaborated with artist Fujiko Nakaya, who uses fog as her medium for dancers to move through, around and over.

Brown herself will perform two dances on Saturday at Phillips Academy's Kemper Auditorium, *If You Couldn't See Me* and *El Trilogo*, which are already sold out. But viewers can catch other live parts of the Brown exhibit, as students will continue to perform *Floor of the Forest* on Saturdays and Sundays at 2 p.m. Other students are learning a dance they will perform in October on rafts floating in the pool at Phillips Academy's gym.



This piece — a window shade with a sort of metal pall attached — is part of a stage set used in one of Brown's dances.

Now 'Andover boy' is one of the big guys Andover's Chiklis takes home Emmy for tough-guy role in *The Shield*



Michael Chiklis, wearing his Hugo Boss tuxedo at the Emmys Sunday, says the tux will be auctioned off with proceeds going to charity.

■ CHIKLIS

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one in this room," he said. "We all have a little place inside of ourselves where we allow ourselves to dream of something like this.")

Chiklis' win adds him to the list of Andover Emmy holders. Comedian and *Tonight Show* host Jay Leno, who grew up on Clark Road, won the statuette in 1995. He was there Sunday night to shake the former Lowell Street resident's hand.

"I saw Jay backstage, and he was like, 'Yeah! Andover boy!'" Chiklis laughs.

As an Andover boy, Chiklis participated in several Andover High School theater productions. King, his drama coach at the time — and who is proud of his former student no matter how violent his character is — remembers it well.

"He had an uncanny ability to bleed a role. He was as good an actor as we ever had," he says, remembering Chiklis in *Guys and Dolls* and *Anything Goes*.

While Chiklis doesn't recall King preaching anti-violence, he does thank him for the acting lessons he taught him. "I remember him talking about being as honest as possible, to be as truthful as possible," he

says.

Dick Collins, the actor's high-school football coach, is ecstatic to see his former grunt at the top of the heap.

"I jumped right off the couch. I was so thrilled!" says Collins. "Michael never missed a moment of football practice and never missed the play practices, either. We had a system where we shared him beautifully."

Collins says Chiklis chose the best career path possible. Football wasn't in his future.

"Michael isn't big enough for that," he says.

But, thanks to the Emmys, Chiklis is now one of the big guys. It's a change from his life pre-*Shield*, when, after some success starring in *The Commish*, his next show *Daddio* was canceled soon after it began. Given that, Chiklis says he's not surprised that many critics and competitors didn't see the Emmy coming.

"What was wonderful was to realize that the place was shocked, and then to realize that they were delighted. It's such an out-of-body experience," he says, breaking off to chuckle crazily.

"I'm sorry. Sometimes I just burst into hysterical laughter — it's just so unbelievable."



The Broadway musical *Rent* comes to the Lowell Memorial Auditorium Thursday, Oct. 3 at 8 p.m. Call the box office at 978-454-2299 for information.

\$8, 8 p.m., Crescent Dragon Gallery Cafe, 59 Washington St., Haverhill; 978-372-5441. <www.crescentdragon.com>.

Wine tasting, Friends of the Tewksbury Library will hold a gala fundraiser to benefit the Friends' Endowment Fund, variety of wine, beers and non-alcoholic beverages and hors d'oeuvres, \$20-\$25, tickets required, Tewksbury Public Library, 300 Chandler St., Tewksbury; 978-640-4490. <www.tewksburypl.org>.

Theatre, Smulowitz Productions presents, *Terezin: Children of the Holocaust*, \$12, 7:30 p.m., the Tannery, Federal Street, Newburyport; reservations 978-463-3348.

Chamber Music Concert, North Shore Chamber Music Ensemble, Eden's Edge, \$18, 8 p.m., meet the artists reception will be held following concert, Hammond Castle Museum, 80 Hesperus Ave., Gloucester; 978-283-7673. <www.edensedge.homestead.com>.

Saturday, September 28

Play, *The Judgement of Martha Carrier: An Interactive Community Play*, sponsored by the Andover Historical Society, part of Essex National Heritage Commission's upcoming Trails, Sails, and a Trial weekend; free, 2 p.m., performance location is Memorial Hall Library, Elm Square; Juliet Mofford 978-475-2236; <www.andhist.org> or



Local storytellers will perform their tales by the fireside at the Andover Bookstore tomorrow, Friday, at 7 p.m. Tellers include (from left) Jackie Booth, Emily Arai and Erin Arai.

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Terezin: Children of the Holocaust. 2 p.m., and 7:30 p.m., see Sept. 27 entry.

Monday, September 30

Golf Tournament, the North Andover Scholarship Foundation, raising funds for Neighbors Helping Neighbors, scramble format, 10 a.m. lunch, raffles, (looking for individuals and business to sponsor) hole-in-one at a \$100 fee) \$145. 10 a.m. North Andover Country Club, North Andover, Rick Blain 978-749-7303 or Jeff Ferrante 978-623-7504

Auditions, the Valley Players, for a *Christmas Carol*, 6-8 p.m., children, 8-10 p.m., adults, casting all ages, show runs Dec. 6-22, bring or be prepared to sing a traditional Christmas carol, bring headshot and resume, The Amesbury Playhouse, 194 Main St., Amesbury; 978-388-9444

Tuesday, October 1

Exhibitions, a multi-site art project *Who's Afraid of the Big Bad Wolf?*, featuring sculptures and installations by artist Kathleen Bittetti, that coincide with Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Sites and art works are as follows: Lawrence, *Bedroom*, 50 Island St., Essex Art Center; 50 Island St., *Bedroom* I & II, Lawrence Heritage State Park, 1 Jackson St., *His and Hers*, Northern Essex Community College, 48 Franklin St., for more information on exhibits or public panels call 617-464-3559 or see our website www.artistfoundation.org

Live music, with Joel Cate, singer-songwriter, 8 p.m., Crescent Dragon Gallery Cafe, 59 Washington St., Haverhill; 978-632-5441, www.crescentdragon.com

Wednesday, October 2

Merrimack Valley Camera club meeting, 7:15 p.m., Trinitarian Congregational Church, Elm Street, North Andover; 978-685-8317, www.mvccameraclub.org

Thagaste symposium, Faith and Science: Inspiration from Gregor Mendel, OSA, Father of Genetics, panel includes speakers from Merrimack College, MIT, Andover Newton Theological School, free, 2:15 p.m., Castle Hall, Merrimack College campus, North Andover, for more information call Kay DeBurro 978-837-5211

Who's Afraid of the Big Bad Wolf?



The New Wave Vaudeville performers are coming to the Rogers Center for the Arts at Merrimack College Saturday, Oct. 5 at 2 p.m. Call the box office at 978-837-5355 for tickets and information.

Living Room, through Oct. 28, Nevins Memorial Library, 305 Broadway, Methuen; 978-686-40080, www.nevinslibrary.org, see Oct. 1 entry.

Thursday, October 3

Theatre, the only area performance of the national tour of *RENT*, tickets \$23.50-\$42.50, 8 p.m., Lowell Memorial Auditorium, Lowell, tickets at box office or by calling: 978-454-2299 or Ticketmaster, 617-931-2000, www.ticketmaster.com

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Theatre, Buddy Greco's musical, *Fever: A Tribute to Miss Peggy Lee*, \$30-\$35, 7:30 p.m., Stoneham Theatre, 395 Main St., Stoneham; 781-279-2200, www.stonehamtheatre.org

Live comedy, Works in Progress, free, 8 p.m., Wingate Theatre, 45 Wingate St., Haverhill; 978-521-7664

Friday, October 4

Movie, *Nosferatu*, earliest surviving screen adaptation of Bram Stoker's *Dracula*, free, 8 p.m., Rogers Center for the Arts, Merrimack College, North Andover; 978-837-5355, www.merrimack.edu/rogers

Live comedy, Dick Doherty, John Joyce, Jay Savage, \$12, 9:30 p.m., Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, North Andover; 781-938-8088

Live comedy, Michael Petit, Sike Tobin, Mark Riley, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m., call for prices, Comedy Palace at the Grill 93, River Road; 1-888-TO-LAUGH

Live music, Doo Wop & Dessert with Charlie Thomas and the Drifters, featuring the NECC student dancers, benefits NECC scholarships, call for prices, buffet 7 p.m., show, 8 p.m., Northern Essex Community College, Sports and Fitness Center, 100 Elliott St.

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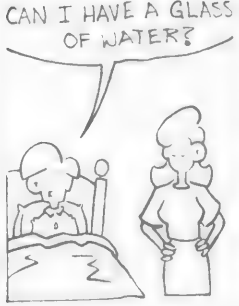
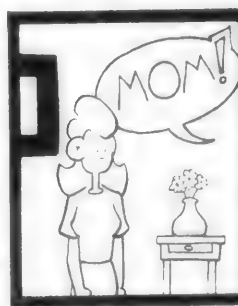
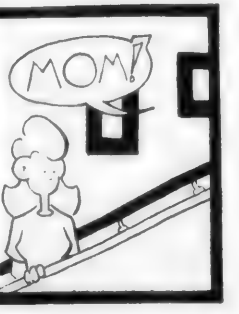
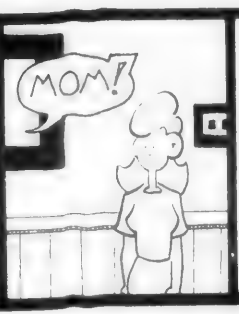
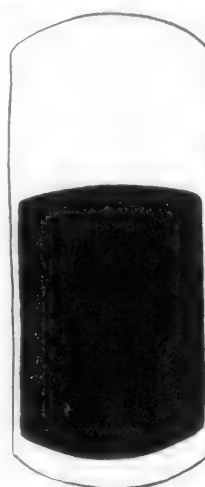
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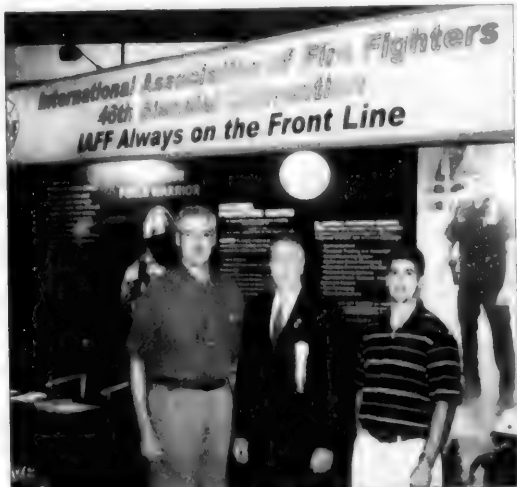
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IN BRIEF



The US Army Natick Soldier Center's National Protection Center took part in the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) 46th Biennial Convention, held Aug. 11-14 in Las Vegas, Nev. In the photo are IAFF General President Harold F. Schaitberger (center) with Bill Haskell of Andover and Jonathan Rich from the National Protection Center. IAFF is partnered with NSC-NPC in the development of a long-term program entitled Homeland Emergency Response Operational and Equipment System (HEROES) with the goal of developing military protective clothing and equipment research and technologies. The exhibit highlighted the military research and development of protective clothing and equipment, such as Objective Force Warrior, Scorpion helmet technologies, and physiological status monitoring, and showed the National Protection Center partnerships with the emergency-response community. Haskell, of 8 Ivanhoe Lane, is also the Army representative to the National Fire Protection Association's Technical Correlating Committee on Fire and Emergency Services Protective Clothing and Equipment.

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Have you ever had trouble using a search engine? You type your search term in to the search box field, and information gets buried in a results list of 1000+ hits. Now searchers can access the expertise of a reference librarian without leaving their computer. Last fall, Memorial Hall Library joined 24/7 Reference, a collaboration of librarians coast to coast, available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Simply access the Memorial Hall Library home page at <www.mhl.org>, and click on the owl icon to be connected to a professional reference librarian. Computer users will be asked to enter their name, e-mail address, and zip code.

Since Memorial Hall began offering this service to Andover residents last October, more than 1,200 questions have been answered by 24/7 Reference. Users reportedly rave about the service: "This is a great way to find information." "I love this." "Great idea. I will use this again."

The 24/7 Reference is a project of the Metropolitan Library Consortium funded by a federal grant and administered through the California State Library.

Tepperman/Ray designs for L-COM

Tepperman/Ray Associates Inc. of Andover recently announced it has been asked to develop and design the capabilities brochure for L-COM Inc.

"We're very excited about this new relationship and opportunity. We enjoy working with other firms in the Andover area and feel that our proximity is an added bonus for the relationship," said James Marshall, director of business development.

Tepperman/Ray Associates is a marketing communications firm located in Andover that specializes in strategy, planning and creative services.

L-COM Inc., located in North Andover, designs, manufactures and distributes copper and fiber cable assemblies, interconnection adaptors, connectors and cable test equipment. Its Web site is <www.l-com.com>

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Cathy Scott, operator of the recently opened GNC: Live Well store in the Park Street Village shops, plans to open a smoothie bar to serve her health-conscious customers in Andover.

A healthy consumer's paradise?

Andover seen as good fit for nutritional-supplement business

By Rebecca Piro

FOR HEALTH-CONSCIOUS PEOPLE, there is no shortage of places to shop in Andover.

The trend to eat more healthful food is still going strong, and stores selling vitamins, minerals and supplements continue to pop up. It's no accident that Andover is such a popular place for them, says Cathy Scott, operator of the GNC: Live Well store. Her store recently opened at the Park Street Village, the newest health store to open since the organic-foods store Earthfood, formerly located on Chestnut Street, closed last May.

"(Andover) is a perfect fit for this type of business," Scott says. The type of people who take supplements is closely tied to people's education and income, she adds.

"If you do a lot of reading, you learn about the benefits of taking vitamins," she says. "(And) you really need to have a disposable income. If you can't make the rent every month, you're not going to say, 'I'm going to go buy some glucosamine sulfate,'" a product that customers use to treat arthritis.

Scott, who takes about 12 different supplements daily, says the latest scientific studies are helping her cause and her business. The American Medical Association recently publicized a study that proved adults benefit from taking a multi-vitamin once a day, she says.

Her GNC: Live Well store is just



12-a-day – Cathy Scott practices what she preaches, taking about 12 different supplements a day.

starting, but Scott says she's confident that Andover can support a number of businesses selling health products. One of her competitors is Wild Oats, from whom a representative declined to comment. Wild Oats is a grocery store that specializes in organic foods and supplements and offers healthy meals to go. Scott says her store is set apart from the rest by a more flavorful option for healthy eating – a smoothie bar, sched-

uled to open in a couple of weeks.

Body and Soul, located on Main Street, has a non-edible draw that distinguishes it from Andover's other health stores. Co-owners Stephen Sampson and Mark Saia now have ultraviolet-ray-free tanning, in a booth that sprays a solution onto a person's body, and reacts with the person's skin to tan it. It's the newest product at Body and Soul, in addition to the store's four other normal tanning beds. The store is celebrating its first anniversary.

"It's picking up steadily," says Saia. "The first year of business is always the most difficult."

That Body and Soul is still in business is testament to the fact that it can handle the competition of other stores in the area, he says. The store has changed with the changing demands of customers, exchanging many of its natural products, like organic foods and home remedies, to sports and fitness products. Boxes and boxes of the popular sports bars – any brand you want – line the shelves at Body and Soul.

"We have a lot of cyclists, runners and endurance trainers come in. That's what people wanted. That's the direction of the market," he says.

He says his products are less expensive than the competition.

Both Scott and Saia say they see customers ranging from students to senior citizens. "Competition is a good thing," Saia laughs.

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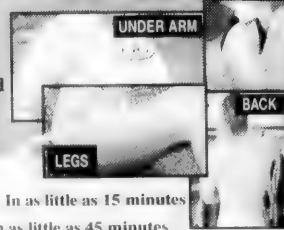
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ADVANCED AESTHETICS

Parents say music program was killed, with no replacement plan

INSTRUMENT PICK-UP

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doing the best that we can," she said to one upset mother.

Fewer young students are taking lessons because of a significant change to the elementary instrumental music program. Superintendent Claudia Bach has removed the more than 47-year-old program from the school day and made it an after-school, fee-based program. The School Committee supported the move. Bach, who has made many financial cutbacks this year, has said repeatedly that the change has nothing to do with school finances, but is meant to stop classroom disruptions caused by students attending in-day lessons and to comply with the state's time-and-learning regulations.

More problems

Questions

Some parents attending the instrumental music night still didn't know whether their kids had been placed with a teacher. Many didn't know when or where the lessons would occur. None of them knew who the teachers would be. But they wrote out their non-refundable checks for registration, instrument rental and music lessons. Unlike with private lessons, which are paid by the month, parents must pay for an entire year of school lessons up

front.

Last year, all instruments taught in Andover were available at every school. Lessons are not being offered at all the schools this year. No lessons are being offered at the new High Plain Elementary, forcing parents there to drive their children to other schools to take lessons.

Certain instruments are only being taught at certain schools on certain days. For example, the saxophone is taught only at Bancroft School on Wednesdays and West Elementary on Tuesdays. Trumpet is offered only at Bancroft on Tuesdays.

Scheduling

Some string lessons are scheduled at the same time that the after-school string ensemble meets. Some and lessons are scheduled at the same time the town band meets. That means

there are music students who can't participate in the ensembles. Chorus is also scheduled at the same time as other lessons.

Money issues

Scheduling and location issues have forced some parents to pay \$700 to put their children in private lessons because their kids weren't able to fit \$420 semi-private lessons into their schedules.

Though the School Committee said last school year that there would be a spending cap for families as part of the new program, parents claim there is currently no cap. The schools' athletic fee system does cap how much a family

can be asked to pay to let their children play sports.

Also, because the schools are independently contracting music teachers, there isn't much flexibility in payment.

"There was no program in place," said Macheras, the parent volunteer. "They took away the existing program without anything to replace it."

"(Superintendent Claudia Bach) is killing it," said Barbara Guarnaccia about the music program. Guarnaccia, who was signing her fourth-grade son up for lessons, is also a horn player. "In five years there's no high-school music program," she predicted. Parents and teachers have said that without an elementary program to feed into the upper grades, middle-school and high-school participation in music will disappear.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Local Textron employee donates innovation award to scholarship fund

Textron Systems in Wilmington announced that seven of its current and retired employees donated \$3,750 to the Kevin Brady O'Connor Memorial Scholarship Fund. Textron Systems employees including Dave Delude, of Andover, were recognized at Textron Industrial Product's second annual Nova Awards ceremony for developing their innovation, the Sensor Fuzed Weapon (SFV). Product Improvements for the BLU-108 Submunition. All winners of the Nova Awards program, which acknowledges product and business process innovations, received \$3,750 gifts to be made to their charity of choice.

The memorial scholarship was established in 1992 to honor Kevin Brady O'Connor, of Boxford, a member of the Masconomet Regional High School class of 1992, who died after a brief illness shortly after his graduation. Kevin is the son of Dr. Arthur D. O'Connor, the senior and now retired member of Textron Systems' SFV Team and one of the Nova Award recipients.

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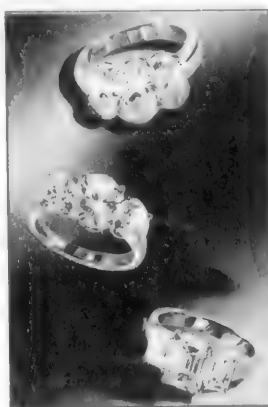
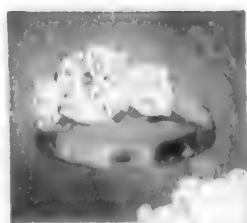
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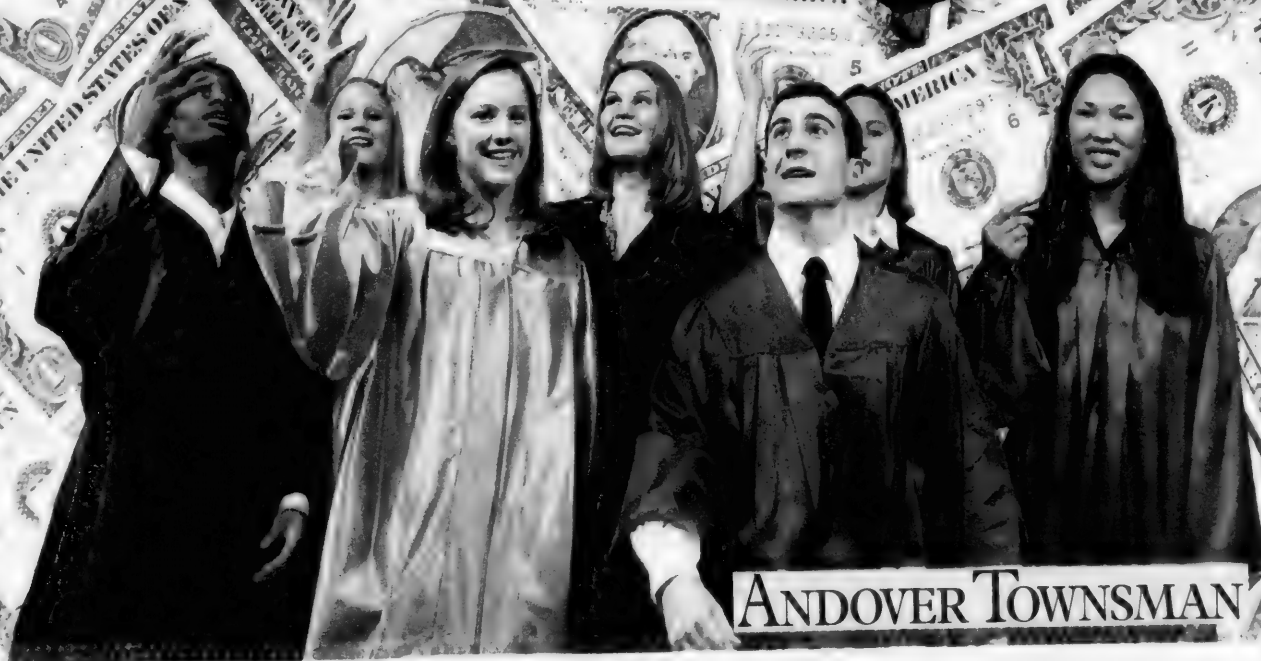
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It's worrisome for parents.

That may be why, these days, it's the popular 529 plan that many parents are keeping a close eye on. It's growing in popularity as a college savings account. The Section 529 college savings plans gets its name from Section 529 of the US tax code and is sponsored by states. The program allows parents and grandparents to invest in a variety of stock and fixed-income accounts. Savings grow tax free, and earnings are exempt from federal taxes when they're withdrawn for a child's education expenses. There can be state tax breaks, too.

Repairing the damage done by the sagging stock market can be tricky, according to financial professionals, because parents often don't have much time to recoup losses. Lew DeRisi, MetLife director for retirement and savings, says families who have a 17-year-old and a floundering account, you might need "a disaster recovery plan."

DeRisi, whose comments appeared in a money column in *The Eagle-Tribune*, said one thing a family can do is give the 529 account time to recover by funding the child's early college costs from other sources. For example, questions to ask oneself includes:

- Is there other money to tap, perhaps US Savings Bonds you've stashed away, or maybe some bank certificates of deposit?
- Do you qualify for a home equity loan or a short-term personal loan?
- Does your child qualify for more financial aid from the university or, perhaps, scholarships or grants?

"If you defer tapping your account, you still should review how the 529 assets are allocated to get them in better shape for the future," DeRisi said.

In spite of the floundering stock market's affect on 529 plans, financial professionals say parents

are not backing off from them.

A recent survey by Strong Capital Management in Milwaukee, Wis., found that 70 percent of parents have not changed their asset allocations despite the market's volatility, while about 25 percent have shifted to more conservative options.

Meanwhile, Joseph F. Hurley, author of *The Best Way to Save for College: A Complete Guide to Section 529 Plans*, says that despite the depressed stock market, the 529 plans are still growing strongly. Balances rose \$6 billion to \$15 billion in the first half of this year, he said. Hurley suggests worried families should review their accounts, but not act precipitously.

"You can cash out (of stock), but then where are you going to put the money?" Hurley asks. "Assuming you still want to save for college, the best returns and certainly the best tax consequences may remain in the Section 529 plans."

Still, for those who are queasy, there are a lot of new investment options in the state 529 programs that are worth looking at.

Many parents and grandparents have found that the age-based funds make a lot of sense. These funds generally blend stocks with fixed-income components like bonds. They might start with an 80-20 mix of stocks to bonds when a child is young, then evolve to a 20-80 mix as the child approaches college age, Hurley says.

"If you're in an aggressive age-based fund and you're not happy with it, consider switching to a more conservative age-based fund," Hayes suggested. There's even less risk in the increasingly available guaranteed or stable-value accounts, he said. The savers' principal is protected, and there's often a guaranteed return that's at least equivalent to a money market fund if not higher, Hurley said.

Hurley, DeRisi and other financial professionals say parents with young kids needn't be too frantic because they can wait for the market to recover. But those with teenagers need to be prepared. They may need to consider some of the above-mentioned disaster recovery strategies if tuition payments are due soon.

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Baystate Financial offers reasons for investor optimism

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For nearly all of us investors, it has been a grim few years indeed.

In the 1990s, the world seemed like a remarkably stable place, and the economic news was relentlessly good. Since early in 2000, the world seems like a far scarier place, and the economic news has been unremittingly bad.

Against that background, the stock market's astonishing rise and subsequent downturn do not seem so surprising.

We appear now to be emerging, albeit somewhat more slowly than we would all prefer, from the financial equivalent of a perfect storm: the terrible events of September 11 and subsequent war in Afghanistan, anthrax-laced letters, deflating stock market bubble, disputed presidential election, recession, Israeli-Palestinian conflict, threats of a war with

Iraq, the Enron and WorldCom collapses, corporate accounting scandals, executive misconduct, and on and on.

It would have been hard to make up all these news events, yet they have all happened in the last couple of years. But the U.S. economy, the most dynamic and resilient economy in world history, continues to recover. The near term holds considerable promise of progress; the mid-to long-range outlook is truly exciting.

Any why is it that we should feel such optimism? We are just emerging from a very tough recession, one of the most difficult financial periods since the Great Depression. But we have come through other tough times since the Great Depression, and in many ways they were more difficult than today.

For instance, the 1973-75 period saw large decreases in the S&P 500 in both 1973 and 1974 (larger than we saw in 2000 and 2001), then (after another poor start) the largest single year gain ever

registered by the S&P 500, +37 percent, in 1975. A +23 percent gain followed in 1976. These investment gains and those enjoyed by many other stocks in the years that followed (despite the S&P 500 remaining rather flat until 1982) occurred in an environment that was far less favorable than today. Inflation rates were very high, the nation lacked confidence in the Nixon Administration, there were long lines at U.S. fuel pumps, and the Vietnam War was winding toward a controversial end.

Today, we have the lowest interest rates in 40 years, low energy costs, considerable confidence in our government, and that government is openly trying to stimulate the economy. As we inevitably move past some of the temporary concerns alluded to earlier, others are systematically addressed by reforms, and corporate spending gradually begins to increase again, the potential for sustained stock market increases is very real.

It is very important at a time like this

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Tips on protecting yourself from identity theft

(NAPSA) — Identity theft and credit card fraud are serious, growing problems in America. The Federal Trade Commission recently reported that identity theft was number one on the top 10 list of consumer fraud complaints in 2001.

What is identity theft?

Identity theft is obtaining someone else's personal information, such as a driver's license or Social Security number, and pretending to be that person in order to commit financial or criminal fraud. Someone stealing a credit card receipt from the trash and using that information falsely can initiate this type of theft. However, a higher percentage of incidents are attributed to lost or stolen wallets and stolen mail.

How not to be a victim

Providian Financial, one of the largest credit card issuers in

the U.S., takes an active role in working to educate consumers on how to avoid becoming a victim of identity theft and fraud.

Chris Lewis, vice president and chief privacy officer for Providian, explains, "Victims of identity theft often don't discover the crime until they are turned down for a loan or credit card because of debts accumulated in their name. There are several, simple, preventative measures that Providian encourages our cardholders to take to protect themselves."

Tips to protect yourself:

Watch your mail: Scan the mail regularly for your credit card bills and call the credit card company if your bill is late. Confirm it hasn't been diverted to a different address without your knowledge. Make sure personal information is not visible through or on the outside of an envelope you're mailing.

Keep track of your credit cards:

Carefully review your credit card statements for unauthorized use as soon as you receive them each month. Take your credit card receipts with you after a purchase, tear them up or shred them when you no longer need them, and do not dispose of them in public trash containers.

Be wary of who's on the phone: If you do not initiate the call, be cautious when giving out personal information over the telephone. Be wary of callers who ask you to send them money.

Use caution when purchasing online: If you use your credit card to make purchases on the Internet, be sure that you are using a browser that encrypts personal information and that the web site you are using initiates a secure session (SSL).

Review your credit report:

You should request a copy and review your credit report at least once a year, to make sure no one has applied for credit in your name or is using one of your accounts. Request a copy from one of the three major credit reporting agencies: Experian (www.creditexpert.com), TransUnion (www.tuc.com) and Equifax (www.equifax.com).

Following these simple rules and using common sense can help keep your personal financial information safe and secure. Additionally, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), has orga-

nized a program to combat identity theft in the FTC's kNow Fraud Campaign. For more information about identity theft, visit the Web site at www.consumer.gov/knowfraud.

Identity theft is a growing concern for consumers, yet it's possible to protect yourself.

What to do if your identity is stolen

Unfortunately, even if you're very careful with your personal and financial information, your identity can still be stolen. However, there are measures you can take to minimize the damage.

For an extensive list of resources, contact the Federal Trade Commission (1-877-IDTHEFT) or www.consumer.gov/idtheft. In the meantime, the FTC recommends you take these three steps:

1. Immediately call the fraud units at each credit bureau. Ask that a fraud alert be placed in your file. You can also file a "victim's" statement asking creditors to call you before a new account is opened under your name.
2. Contact your creditors to ask for any accounts that have been opened fraudulently. Talk to somebody in their fraud or security department. Consumer protection laws also require that you follow up with a letter.
3. File a report with your local law enforcement and ask to get a copy of the report.

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Tips for raising money-conscious kids

(NAPSA)-According to Teenage Research Unlimited, U.S. teenagers spent \$172 billion in the year 2001. Your kids, and their influential friends, probably spend significantly more money than you and your friends did at their age. Savvy marketers are there to encourage them. With your help, however, kids can learn the value of money to save and even invest. The key is to make financial learning an everyday part of family life.

From the time little Brittany

can count to ten, she should help count change at the grocery store. When Jason asks for a new CD each week, use it as an opportunity to teach him resources are not unlimited. Restricting him to one CD per month will help him learn to evaluate his choices. Children need to learn the difference between wants and needs; immediate gratification versus delayed gratification, and that some things come with a labor equation—two hours of raking leaves equals one movie ticket.

Here are some ways to teach your kids the value of money:

- Set a good example. Kids pick up buying patterns and attitudes about money from their parents.
- Start early. Give kids an allowance as soon as they can count and identify coins. When they want something, use the magic words “your money.” They’ll think twice before spending.
- As kids get older, encourage saving for both short- and long-term purchases.
- Set up a child’s own savings

account.

- Teach teens how to research purchases and compare products.
- Encourage kids to earn their own money. They may reconsider buying the latest fad jeans if they know they had to work six hours to earn them.
- Let them learn from their mistakes. Constantly bailing them out of overspending sends the wrong message that actions have no real consequences.

Fortunately, it’s never too late to teach kids that “money doesn’t grow on trees.” In the adult

world, it has to be earned, saved and, if borrowed, returned with interest. If your children learn this now, they’ll have a better chance for financial success as adults.

Oddly enough, current financial obligations and unrestrained consumer spending seem to be the top culprits that keep adults from saving. In fact, according to the recent Allstate Retirement Reality Check survey, 58 percent of respondents will carry debt into retirement with them.

Is estate planning really necessary? Yes it is

Maybe you are thinking that estate planning really doesn’t pertain to you. After all, many come to think it’s a process reserved for the rich and famous. Could your bank account, three-bedroom home and modest investment portfolio really be considered an estate? Most definitely. In fact, “estate” is defined as all of the assets a person possesses — like real estate, bank accounts, mutual funds, collectible and personal property. How much any or all of your assets are worth is not really the issue in determining if you need an estate plan. According to the GE Center for Financial Learning, having any assets at all is enough to consider having one.

A simple form of estate planning is a will. This directs how your property will be distributed upon your death. Lacking a will, your property is distributed according to state law, which does not necessarily take into account your wishes.

And remember, estate planning is an evolving process. As your financial situation changes or you go through major life events, like marriage, inheritance or birth/adoption, you’ll need to update your estate plan to accommodate these changes.

To simplify the estate planning process, here are a list of items you should consider to see if you’re on track with your planning. Does your estate plan:

- Include an up-to-dated will?
- Name a guardian to care for your minor children?
- Name an executor (or personal representative) and trustee you

are confident will carry out your wishes?

- Take into consideration any special medical or educational needs certain family members may have?
- Include provisions for long-term health care for you and your spouse, and/or other dependents should the need arise?
- Take advantage of the benefits

of lifetime gifts?

- Include charitable gifts?
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- Tax on short-term capital gains is almost twice that on long-term gains, but short-term losses used to off set long-term gains create a smaller tax benefit. This will need careful planning regarding which assets to sell and which losses to take before the end of the year.



- As your income rises and regular tax rates decrease, many more taxpayers will be affected by the alternative minimum tax (ATM). You should know what triggers the ATM, whether you have to pay it, and how to reduce your tax accordingly.

- The Job Creation and Worker Assistance Act of 2002 offers businesses a special 30 percent bonus depreciation allowance for certain property, plus a longer net operating loss carryback period for tax years 2001 and 2002.

- Falling stock prices could result in costly tax consequences if you sell stock purchased through incentive stock options and do not plan properly. Before selling stock you should know the tax consequences first.

- Retirement planning contribution limits have increased this year. You can take advantage of these to reduce your current tax liability and save more for your later years.

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